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ALLIED PINCER MOVEMENT IS HAVING GREAT EFFECT: ADVANCING TO TRONDHEIM

Successful R.A.F. Raids On Aalborg And Sylt

Big Explosion Heard

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. last night made six raids on Norway, Aalborg and Sylt. Full reports have not yet been received but from short Air Ministry reports, these raids were highly successful.

The raid over Sylt resulted in the destruction of hangars and a big explosion from the island was heard. To the north of the island, a German patrol was noticed and heavy fire was directed against it by the R.A.F. aircraft.

Two patrol boats were sunk. The R.A.F. also heavily bombed the Oslo aerodrome and heavy anti-aircraft fire was encountered, but the British machines completed the work without any loss.

BERLIN SAYS NO

BERLIN, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—A communique declares that a British attempt to attack an aerodrome, in the neighbourhood of Oslo, was unsuccessful.

It says that German aircraft again bombed British troops as they were landing, and railways leading to the interior. It claims hits on two destroyers, two transports and also a troop train which, it says, was burned out.

The communique adds that a British plane was brought down over Sylt last night. It declares: "German" forces, advancing north and north-west of Oslo, in co-operation with tanks and planes, have broken resistance everywhere, and are progressing rapidly."

Position Of Greenland

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated in the House of Commons today that the position of Greenland, which was affected by the occupation of Denmark, was receiving the consideration of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and Canada.

THREE CASES OF DOG BITE IN KOWLOON

Three cases of dog bite were reported to the police in Kowloon yesterday, and as a result three dogs and a litter of puppies have been sent to Mataukok for observation.

The first case was reported by Mr. Warburton, residing in Nathan Road, who was bitten on the back of his right hand by a terrier bitch belonging to Mrs. Soneman, of 12, Camarvon Road. The incident occurred on the Chatham Road bund. Shn Lee, 30, amah, was bitten on the right forearm by a chow dog, belonging to Miss Elaine Chan, in Ling Wah Terrace.

Mr. Castro, of Hankow Road, reported, also, that his daughter, Elaine Castro, was bitten by a fox terrier bitch belonging to Mr. C. M. Gutteres, of Hankow Road. The bitch, and her litter of seven puppies, have been sent to Mataukok for observation.

Sweden Threatened By German Press

LONDON, APR. 24 (REUTER).—THE IMPRESSION GAINED FROM REPORTS OF THE FIGHTING IN NORWAY IS DECIDEDLY ENCOURAGING.

The Allied progress is likely to be greater than expected and the co-operation of the Norwegians in holding up the German advance for the Allied troops to come up has been useful.

The heaviest fighting was reported north of Trondheim, according to communiques issued by both sides. South of Trondheim, the Allied pincer movement is having great effect and Allied troops have advanced to a point 15 miles south of the town.

On the Hamar front, the Allies have taken Lillehammer and are advancing to a point 70 miles north of Oslo.

Reuter reports from Paris that German troops are being steadily embarked aboard transports in German Baltic ports, according to information reaching here. It is believed that their destination is Norway and the question is being asked whether they will attempt to pass through Sweden.

In this connection, it is noted, German planes are constantly flying over Sweden and the German press and radio are threatening Sweden.

In military circles the situation in Norway is cautiously summed up as follows, the Narvik front situation is unchanged with the Germans at the same points and the British encircling them.

LIVELY FIGHTING

On the Trondheim front there was lively fighting between advance guards but there is no official news of an attack south of Trondheim. Southern Front reports, regarding the capture of Hamar and Elverum, should be regarded with caution but British troops are resisting under excellent conditions German pressure to the north.

The Germans are driving eastwards in order to lengthen the area of the Swedish frontier under their control. Fighting occurred between Norwegians and Germans east of Bergen and Stavanger but details are unknown.

For some time to come official news of the Expeditionary Force is likely to be equally on general terms, but there is a mass of unofficial reports about Trondheim, stating that north of the city the Allies are reported to be far down the railway, from Namsos.

One report even says that they are now facing the entrenched German troops at Levanger, only 35 miles from Trondheim.

ALLIED PROGRESS

Allied progress has been indicated by the number of railway stations bombed by the Germans. Only one French soldier is reported to have been killed during the heavy German air bombardment which has ruined Namsos. The main body of Allied troops was, by this time, well inland.

British troop trains are reported to have reached points 30 to 40 miles south of Trondheim. It must be emphasized that nearly all of these frontier reports still await official confirmation.

Fighting was also reported in Melhus, only twelve miles to the south of Trondheim. The newspaper adds that although reports of the recapture of Hamar and Elverum are now known to be premature, the British and Norwegian troops are making a strong attack towards Hamar.

SHARP ENGAGEMENT

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—A War Office communique says the operations in Norway are proceeding in co-operation with the Norwegian Forces. In the south our troops, in conjunction with the Norwegians, are resisting enemy pressure. North of Trondheim our troops had been counter-attacked and a sharp engagement ensued.

NO COLOUR BAR IN AIR FORCE

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—Capt. Harold Balfour, Under-Secretary for Air, gave an assurance that there will be no colour bar in the Royal Air Force.

British subjects of non-European descent in this country were considered on their merits for service in the R.A.F. and several have been accepted since the outbreak of war.

Military Action In Narvik Paralysed

STOCKHOLM, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—Newspaper correspondents say the five days' snowstorm has paralysed military action in Narvik.

Allied reinforcements are continually streaming down the Gudbrands Valley towards Lillehammer despite the German bombing of towns and communications.

Allied reinforcements are reported to be continuing to arrive despite frequent air raids.

LONDON, April 24 (Reuter).—According to the German Radio an Italian economy mission is arriving in Berlin tomorrow.

Car's Fatal Plunge Into Harbour Recalled At Inquest: Heroism Of Mr. J. H. Roberts Told

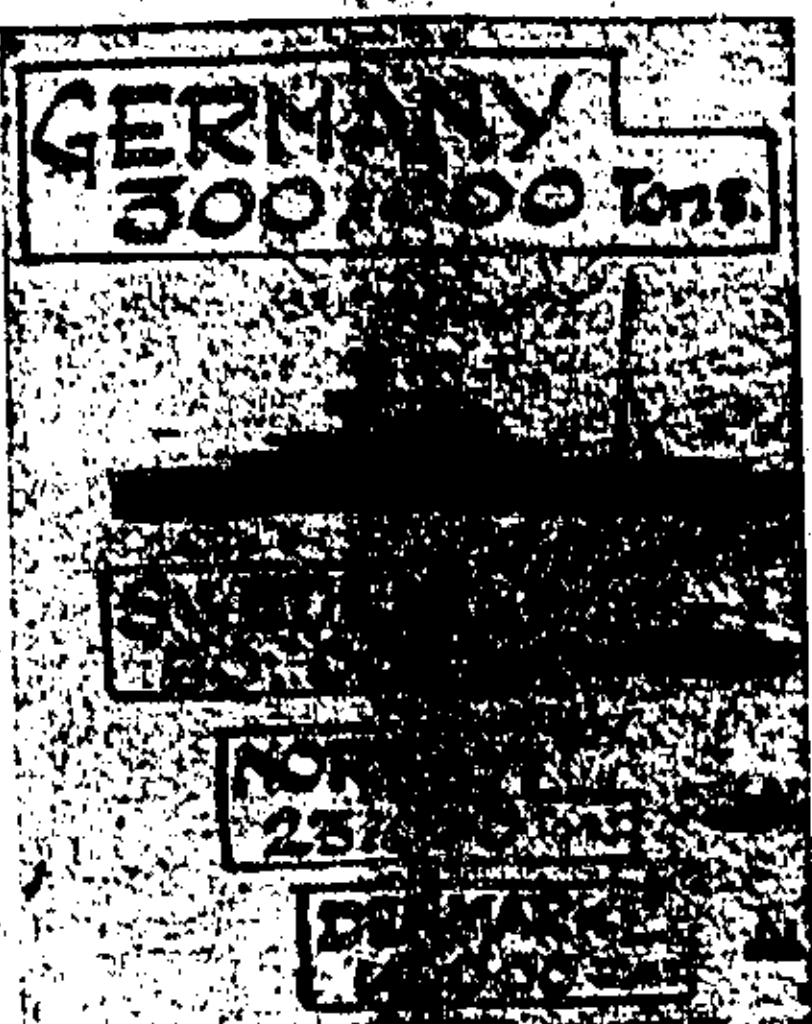
Plucky Assistance Given By Two Boatmen

The deaths of MR. JOHN HERBERT ROBERTS, factory manager and director of the British Cigarette Company, and MR. GEORGE NECHAEFF, an employee of the same firm, who were drowned when a car, in which they were passengers, plunged into the harbour from the Wanchai praya on Mar. 16, formed the subject of an inquest held at the Central Court yesterday.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon sat as Coroner, assisted by a jury comprising Messrs. F. A. Loureiro (foreman), C. A. da Roza and Tong Che-leung. Sub-Insp. F. J. Clarke, of the Traffic Department, was present for the police.

Evidence given yesterday disclosed that Mr. Roberts performed an heroic act in forcing open the door of the car to give the back seat passengers an opportunity to escape when the car was in mid-air, and was about to plunge into the water.

Dr. Dean A. Smith, of the Queen Mary Hospital, testified that the deceased died from drowning.



PYGMIES AND THE GIANT

Compare the fighting strengths of the Scandinavian countries with that of Germany:—

DENMARK

Navy: 38 vessels.
Army: 196,000 war strength.
Air Force: 907 machines.

NORWAY

Navy: 37 vessels.
Army: 200,000 war strength.
Air Force: 100 machines.

SWEDEN

Navy: 65 vessels.
Army: 500,000 war strength.
Air Force: 250 machines.

GERMANY

Navy: About 300,000 tons.
Army: Estimated at 5,000,000.
Air Force: American experts say about 22,000 machines.



JAPANESE BOARD H.K. JUNK

A Hongkong registered fishing junk, No. 4267HC, was boarded by a Japanese naval party off a motor boat about 50 yards south of Ling Ting Island in the early hours of Tuesday morning and two rifles and 150 rounds of ammunition, carried by the fishermen for protection against piracy, forcibly removed.

QUARTER CENTURY OF PROGRESS OF ST. PAUL'S GIRLS' COLLEGE: SIR ROBERT KOTEWALL PAYS A WARM TRIBUTE TO PRINCIPAL

Lady Northcote Reads Message From Governor

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. PAUL'S GIRLS' COLLEGE WAS FITTINGLY CELEBRATED YESTERDAY.

The College was en fete for the occasion and in the afternoon Lady Northcote, wife of His Excellency the Governor, graced the proceedings with her presence.

It was revealed by Dr. (Miss) Katie F. C. Woo, M.B.E., D.Ped., Principal, that the College had received many birthday presents among them a gift of \$5,000 from Mr. Li Chok-lai in memory of his wife, a former student of the school.

CHINESE IMPORTS INCREASE

Special to H. K. Daily Press

SHANGHAI, Apr. 24 (Havas).—Chinese imports during March increased considerably, reaching 57,000,000 gold units against 44,000,000 during February. Shanghai accounted for about 7,000,000 out of this increase.

The strength of the import increase during March was experienced in cereals whose imports soared by more than 4,000,000 gold units to 12,500,000, constituting 22 per cent. of the total Chinese imports.

Another big import increase is raw cotton whose value rose by more than 1,000,000 to 8,000,000.

March exports amounted to 126,000,000, representing an increase of 16,000,000. Tea represented the most sensational increase with no less than 11,000,000 gold units.

BUDGET BOLD ENOUGH?

NEW YORK, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—"Though the British Budget is sound by most orthodox standards, the question may still be raised whether it is bold enough," says the New York Times.

The paper adds: "The terrific financial price which Britain is already paying for the war against aggression seems likely to go higher."

able to prevent the car, going at 25 to 30 m.p.h., from plunging into the sea?—Unless it was an exceptionally strong wall of at least two feet high, I don't think the car

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Aeroplane Merely An Instrument Of Terror

View Of Naval Authority

In a letter to the Times, says British Wireless, Sir Archibald Hurd, well-known naval authority, comments on the significance of the German adventure in Scandinavia as a gamble undertaken in the belief that the short range use of air power could neutralise locally superior sea power.

Germany's gross misrepresentations of the sinking of British ships, he says, are intended to mislead neutral opinion for sufficient time to enable Germany to reap the benefit of her bluff.

Sir Archibald continues: "In particular, it is hoped to convince Italy, which is interested in the circumscribed area of the Mediterranean, that the bombing aeroplane, supported by a relatively small fleet, can gain command of those waters."

"We may be assured, from what has already happened in Norwegian waters and on land, that superior sea power, with the aid of an enterprising Fleet Air Arm, and daring pilots of the R.A.F., will dispel such illusions."

"I suggest, that, except as an extension of the power of active navies and armies, the aeroplane is merely an instrument of terror and destruction and cannot achieve decisive results in adequately defended countries."

Sir Archibald Hurd is Chairman of the Shipping World, Ltd., and was on the editorial staff of the Daily Telegraph from 1899 to 1923. He is the author of the official History of the Merchant Navy in the War and is an Associate of the Institute of Naval Architects. His publications include 'The British Fleet in the Great War.'

"CPL. HITLER WOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN A SAILOR"

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Deputy Leader of the Labour Opposition speaking at a National Defence Public Interest luncheon today, said the Labour movement stood 100 per cent. behind any effort for the successful prosecution of the war.

Hitler's invasion of Norway proved that "Corporal Hitler could never have been a sailor" and nobody knew how far the war would extend.

"Before the struggle is over the neutrals will be with us but I would not plead to the neutral to join us and I am satisfied that the powers arrayed on our side are amply sufficient," said Mr. Greenwood.

MAISKY SEES HALIFAX

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, had a further meeting with M. Maisky, Soviet Ambassador, yesterday. The subject of the discussion has not been disclosed.

In the World of Sports

CANADIAN CHINESE WIN SOUTHARD SHIELD

Sporting Gesture By The Recreio Ladies

The Canadian Chinese ladies chalked up a run-away 33-3 victory, last Sunday, when, in order to allow the Maple Leafs to complete their schedule before the Presentation Night dance, the Recreio girls sportingly turned out although they could field only seven players.

With this victory, the Canadian Chinese become the second club to engrave their name on the Southard Shield, previous holders of which were the Chung Hwa Wildcats.

With big gaps in the opposing defence, the Canucks had little difficulty in batting for a 563 average against the hurling of Lolly Rodrigues and Mary Lachlan. Their fielding too, was well up to their usual standard, the one bobbie which was committed, allowing one of the three runs garnered by the Portuguese girls on five singles.

MABEL LOUIE'S HOMER

Mabel Louie led the sluggers with a homer and a triple, although Elvie Yuen also hit for the circuit. Ullian Khoo and Alice Mar both doubled to outshine their other teammates of whom not a single one batted under 500.

Mary Louie, during the five frames she was on the mound, reproduced the form which has pitched the Canadians to their first championship and conceded only three scattered bingles. With the game in the bag, Alice Mar was given a trial on the hillcock and impressed with her easy style of delivery which showed great promise of putting her amongst the best of local hurlers within the next couple of seasons.

SACRIFICE HITS

Irene Pereira and Margaret Oviara had a trying time holding the team together and their strenuous efforts in the field obviously affected their effectiveness with the bat, although both brought in runs with neat sacrifice hits.

ACES BEAT BEES

In an intra-club affair, the Recreio Aces finished their schedule with a close, 7-4, win over the Junior Bees who gave the senior squad a much better battle than had been expected.

Johnny Alvares, hurling for the winners, appeared to have gone stale, but held the losses to four hits of which the longest, was Jackie Noronha's circuit clout in the fifth stanza. Spotty Pereira was also off colour and was, so I understand, suffering from a sore back.

A. V. Gosano once again proved to be the outstanding "Ace," giving a sound exhibition of fielding and leading the batters of both squads with a triple and a single. "Caco" Marques pulled off a brilliant catch at left field when he snared Jackie Noronha's drive in the third while Henry Barros also trapped a stinger from Zinho Gosano to end the same inning.

SIX MISCELLANEOUS

Jackie Noronha batted good ball for the Bees but was nipped for eight hits which, helped on by his team-mates six miscues, allowed the Aces their winning margin. Mike Mendonca was seen at the unusual position of second base and Tony Alves, at the Windy Alley, gave a display that should put

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THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for May Meeting, Sunday 5th May, 1940, (weather permitting) may be obtained at:—

The Secretaries' Office, 3rd Floor, Prince's Bldg. Des Voeux Rd.

The Hong Kong Club, The Sports Club, The Club House, Macao.

Entries close at 12 NOON on THURSDAY, 25th April, 1940.

By order,

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Week-End Bowls

"Sam White" Match On Saturday

The draw for the "Sam White" lawn bowls match between Club da Recreio and Kowloon Bowling Green Club has taken place and has resulted as below.

The match, between ten rinks from the two clubs mentioned above, will take place on Saturday. Five rinks will be playing on the Recreio green and the other five at the K.B.G.C. Home team mentioned first in each case:—

AT RECREIO

L. A. Gutierrez, E. M. Remedios, E. de Souza, H. A. Alves, E. P. C. Collin, A. Morton, G. E. F. Thompson, R. Duncan, F. Xavier, C. M. Alves, C. E. Marques, A. A. Remedios, V. W. Houston, H. Spong, J. C. Gill, A. M. Holland, M. Alarcon, A. P. Pereira, A. M. Rodrigues, R. F. Luz, V. M. Ferguson, G. W. Deacon, H. E. Drew, J. G. Meyer, A. F. Noronha, M. F. Pinna, J. E. Noronha, C. G. Silva, V. W. L. Walker, G. Elphick, E. V. Searle, J. C. Brown, C. Vas, D. C. Alves, C. Roza Pereira, F. V. V. Ribeiro, R. P. Phillips, E. Levett, H. White, S. Randle.

AT K.B.G.C.

E. F. Pope, L. Jordan, F. A. Cheesman, G. Sheriff, J. C. Remedios, H. R. Pinna, A. F. Gutierrez, B. Basto, W. Harrower, W. S. Drake, D. W. Waterton, A. J. Hall, V. C. G. Pereira, C. M. Silva, L. J. Silva, F. X. Soares, A. Bower, S. C. Walker, L. Guy, J. Henson, V. J. A. Remedios, C. H. Basto, L. F. Xavier, F. X. Silva, H. Bicknell, K. C. Hamilton, H. Lockhart, J. McKelvie, V. J. Lux, P. M. Silva, J. F. Ribeiro, C. E. Remedios, J. Armstrong, G. Hammond, E. Atkins, A. Hyde-Lay, V. A. Machado, P. A. Yvanovich, C. A. Lopes, J. J. Basto.

I.R.C. TO PLAY H.E.C.

The following will represent the I.R.C. against the Hongkong Electric R.C. in a friendly bowls match at Ming Yuen on Saturday, April 27 at 3.30 p.m.:—

A. H. Rumjahn, A. G. Sufflad, A. O. Madar, M. Y. Adal (Skip); A. K. Sufflad, A. H. Madar, A. M. Wahab, A. K. Minu (Skip); S. O. Bux, R. Nazarin, S. M. Rumjahn, A. R. Minu (Skip).

The Electric R.C. team will be:— C. E. Gahagan, R. F. Gregory, H. S. McKay, A. F. Paul (skip); R. C. Butler, W. E. Orchard, J. F. Lunney, G. T. Padgett (skip); A. P. Tarbuck, W. E. Baker, S. Deacon, G. S. Thomson (skip). Reserve: W. E. Macfarlane.

RAJPUTANA RIFLES WIN RELAY RACE TO TAKE LEAD AT AREA SPORTS

WINNING THE THREE MILE TEAM RACE, the last event of the day, the 56TH RAJPUTANA RIFLES moved into the lead, with 624 points on the second day of the Hongkong Area Sports Board's annual athletic meeting at the Polo Ground, Boundary Street, yesterday.

The Rajputana Rifles now lead the 1st Bn. Middlesex Regiment, by 14 points.

The team scores are:— 56th Rajputana Rifles, 624 points; 1st Bn. Middlesex Regt., 61; Hongkong Regt., H.K.S.R.A., 574; 8th Heavy Regt., R.A., 554; 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots, 45; 5th A.A. (Napier's) Regt., R.A., 44; 12th Heavy Regt., R.A., 42; Small Units, 14; 1st Kumaon Rifles, 12.

The individual winner of the Three Mile Race was Hav. Mohd. Iqbal, of the 12th Heavy Regt. The best mark of the day was set by Pte. Lever, of the Middlesex Regiment, who threw the javelin 177 feet, which is probably a Colony record.

The sports will be continued this afternoon, from 2.30 p.m.

THE RESULTS

130 Stone Tug-of-War, Semi final (A): 12th Heavy Regt., R.A. 2-0; (B): H.K. & S.R.A. 2-0. 880 Yds. Relay:— 1. Middlesex Regt., Time: 1.38. H.K. & S.R.A., Small Units, 1st Kumaons, 2: 12th Heavy Regt., R.A., Time: 1.37.4/5ths. Rajputana Rifles, Royal Scots, 8th Heavy Regt., R.A. Throwing the Javelin (Final):— M'sex Regt., Distance 318 ft. 8 1/2 ins. 8th Heavy Regt., R.A., Rajputana R., R. Scots, 12th Heavy Regt., R.A.

ANOTHER TENNIS REPLAY

Tsui Brothers Featured In Battle Of 47 Games

For 47 games on the Stand Court of the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday afternoon the Tsui brothers battled for the right of entry into the final of the Colony Tennis Singles Championship but no decision was reached the fifth set being 4-4 when falling light intervened. The match, as in the other semi-final, between the Bumjahn cousins, will be replayed.

In yesterday's match, Tsui Wai-pui (winner of the title in 1934, 1936, 1938 and 1939) won the second and third sets 6-4, 7-5 while Tsui Yan-pui (runners-up last year) won the first and fourth sets 6-2, 6-3.

Scottish Ladies Win At Golf

The Ladies' Section match, Scotland v. The Rest, played at Fanning on Tuesday, resulted in a win for Scotland. The points were Scotland 91 and England 74.

The individual matches were as follows:—

Mrs. A. C. Meredith (R) beat Mrs. W. S. Hillier (S). Mrs. I. W. Shewan (S) beat Mrs. H. G. Sheldon (R).

Mrs. P. S. Cassidy (S) beat Mrs. R. A. Redmond (R).

Mrs. K. S. Robertson (S) beat Mrs. W. N. A. Smalley (R).

Mrs. M. A. Johnson (S) beat Mrs. J. R. Collis (R).

Mrs. H. B. Rose (R) beat Mrs. R. C. Stewart (S).

Mrs. A. K. Mackenzie (S) beat Mrs. R. D. Walker (R).

Mrs. H. Overy (R) beat Miss M. Glendinning (S).

Mrs. F. D. Hunter (S) beat Mrs. H. C. Margaret (R).

Mrs. D. S. Edward (S) beat Mrs. L. Blair (R).

Mrs. C. B. Brown (R) beat Mrs. A. Nicol (S).

Mrs. A. V. Greaves (S) beat Mrs. Dennis (R).

Mrs. R. J. Sharpley (S) beat Miss N. Price (R).

Mrs. W. Park (R) beat Mrs. W. Fleming (S).

Mrs. R. R. Davies (R) beat Lady Macgregor (S).

Mrs. F. C. Young (R) beat Mrs. F. A. Mackintosh (S).

S=Scotland, R=The Rest.

HOME SOCCER RESULTS

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuters)—The following were the results of matches played in the Scottish Western Regional Soccer League yesterday:— Celtic..... 3 Albion..... 1 St. Mirren..... 0 Morton..... 3

POLICE BOWLS TEAM FOR VALLEY CUP

The following will represent the Police R.C. against the Civil Service C.C. in the Valley Cup bowls game on the Craigengower green on Saturday at 3.30 p.m.:—

J. Shepherd, W. Cameron, J. Harris, E. G. Post (skip); W. S. Dall, Headridge, W. McLeod, J. C. S. Fender (skip); Perkins, Macdonald, Channing, J. Orem (skip); C. Soutar, Harrop, Davis, W. S. Glendinning (skip); J. R. McWalter, G. E. Willerton, D. H. Taylor, W. E. Hollands (skip); N. B. Fraser, D. C. W. Fitches, Willcox, J. S. Riddell (skip). Reserves:— J. E. Hayward, W. Gowans, Tilman.

C.S.C.C. TEAM

The C.S.C.C. team, against the Police R.C. on Craigengower C.C. ground on Saturday will be:—

J. Gellately, R. R. Wood, J. F. McGowan, J. Hollidge (skip); M. E. Purvis, W. J. Burling, M. N. Rakusen, H. E. Strange (skip); E. W. C. Simmonds, J. W. Deakin, L. A. Collyer, F. J. Jones (skip). A. F. Shephard, H. Parrott, H. F. Harper, A. E. Allen (skip); H. Lord, F. S. Austin, A. Steven, S. Eccleshall (skip); C. J. Walker, J. R. Carr, P. D. Crawley, C. Straker (skip). Reserves:— J. F. Hickman, J. C. Lucas, T. Seddon, A. J. Macfayden, J. Barnett, and T. E. Wood.

WIN FOR AILSA

The Sweepstake race sailed yesterday afternoon resulted as follows:—

Finished Corr. Pos. Ailsa..... 6.26.59 6.25.35 1 (Capt. W. A. Ingram). True Blue..... 6.27.45 6.27.45 2 (Miss H. Crawhall Wilson). Joss and Gull..... D.N.F.

FARCICAL FOOTBALL AT CAROLINE HILL

South China "B" Defeat "A" By Odd Goal

A handful of spectators at Caroline Hill yesterday witnessed 70 minutes of farcical football when South China "A" Champions of the Senior League, lost their last game of the season to South China "B" by two goals to one.

The champions, with the exception of Ip Pak-wah, Lau tau-man and Fok Yiu-wah, fielded a team of second and third Division players, and Ip, their "star" left-winger, was seen in between the sticks! The "B" team was practically at full strength: Cheung Moon-wing kept goal instead of Cheung Wing-chol and Kwok Ying-ki led the attack in place of Chan Tak-fai.

U.S. Baseball Results

NEW YORK, Apr. 24 (Reuters)—The following are the results of the baseball matches played yesterday:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

| | R. | H. | E. |
|-----------------------------------|----|----|----|
| Philadelphia..... | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| New York..... | 0 | 4 | 1 |
| "Lefty" Dean pitched. | | | |
| Washington..... | 2 | 7 | 2 |
| Boston..... | 7 | 8 | 1 |
| Williams, Fox and Finney homered. | | | |

The following games were postponed on account of rain:—Chicago-Detroit and Cleveland-St. Louis.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

| | R. | H. | E. |
|----------------------------------------|----|----|----|
| Boston..... | 3 | 10 | 2 |
| West homered. | | | |
| Brooklyn..... | 8 | 12 | 2 |
| Gilbert homered twice and Franks once. | | | |
| New York..... | 1 | 5 | 0 |
| Philadelphia..... | 0 | 4 | 2 |
| Gumbert pitched. | | | |
| Cleveland..... | 2 | 7 | 0 |
| Washington..... | 3 | 9 | 2 |

The game between Washington and Detroit was postponed because of rain.

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TRIUMPHANT EASTERN SOCCERITES RETURN

Manager Tells Of Great Success Of Tour

FRESH FROM THEIR TRIUMPHANT TOUR OF THE PHILIPPINES, the Eastern Football team were all smiles when they disembarked from the Pan-American Airways' Philippine Clipper at Kai Tak yesterday afternoon where they were greeted by a large number of friends and relatives.

"OUR TOUR WAS A GREAT SUCCESS," MR. HSU HUNG, MANAGER OF THE EASTERN TEAM, TOLD THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS WHEN INTERVIEWED AT THE AIRPORT.

Questioned as to how they came to lose against Yco and on the next day defeat a much stronger team of the combined Yco and La Salle, Mr. Hung said, "The home team were lucky to get a first-minute goal and although we dominated play throughout the rest of the game, their goalkeeper was exceptionally brilliant and brought off at least four miraculous saves. It was just bad luck for us."

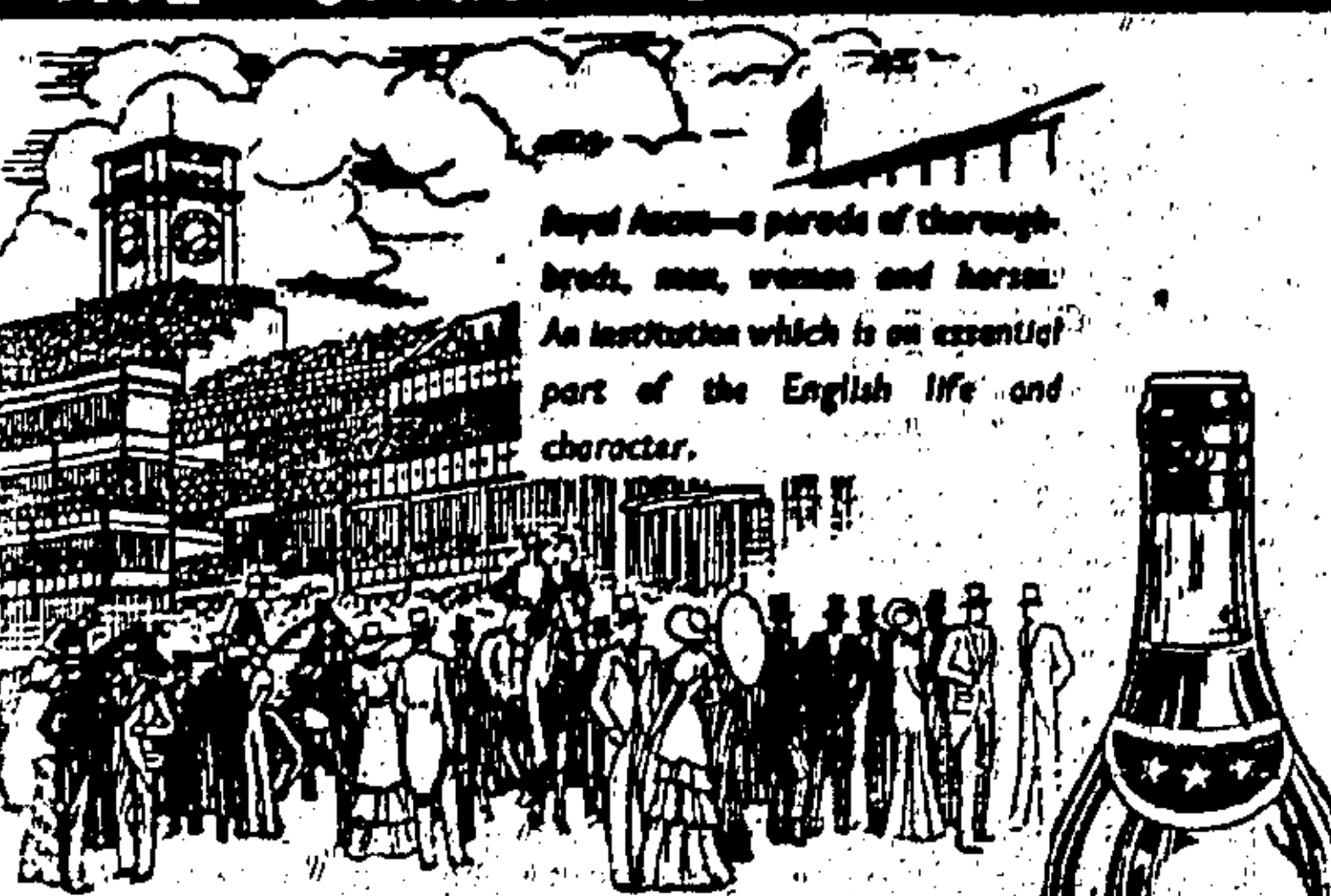
Mr. Eze Fo-wai, hon. secretary of the tour, said that the standard of football in Manila has improved considerably in the recent years and is now very high. Eastern, however, accredited themselves very well and made a very good impression on the Manila crowds.

"MORE GAMES
In fact, Eastern is so popular there that we have been invited to play three more games in Manila next month and we shall be leaving Hongkong by Clipper on May 15 for the purpose. After that, we intend going on to Malaya, Burma and India where we are due to play a few games if arrangements, now being negotiated, materialise."

Mr. Hsu King-sing, the captain of the touring team said, "Our team as a whole played splendidly every man playing up to his true form. Unfortunately we found the mosquitoes and the heat rather overbearing, but that did not affect our play."

All the players are looking fit and spoke highly of the courteous and considerate manner in which they were treated wherever they went in Manila and they are looking forward to a return visit to the Colony.

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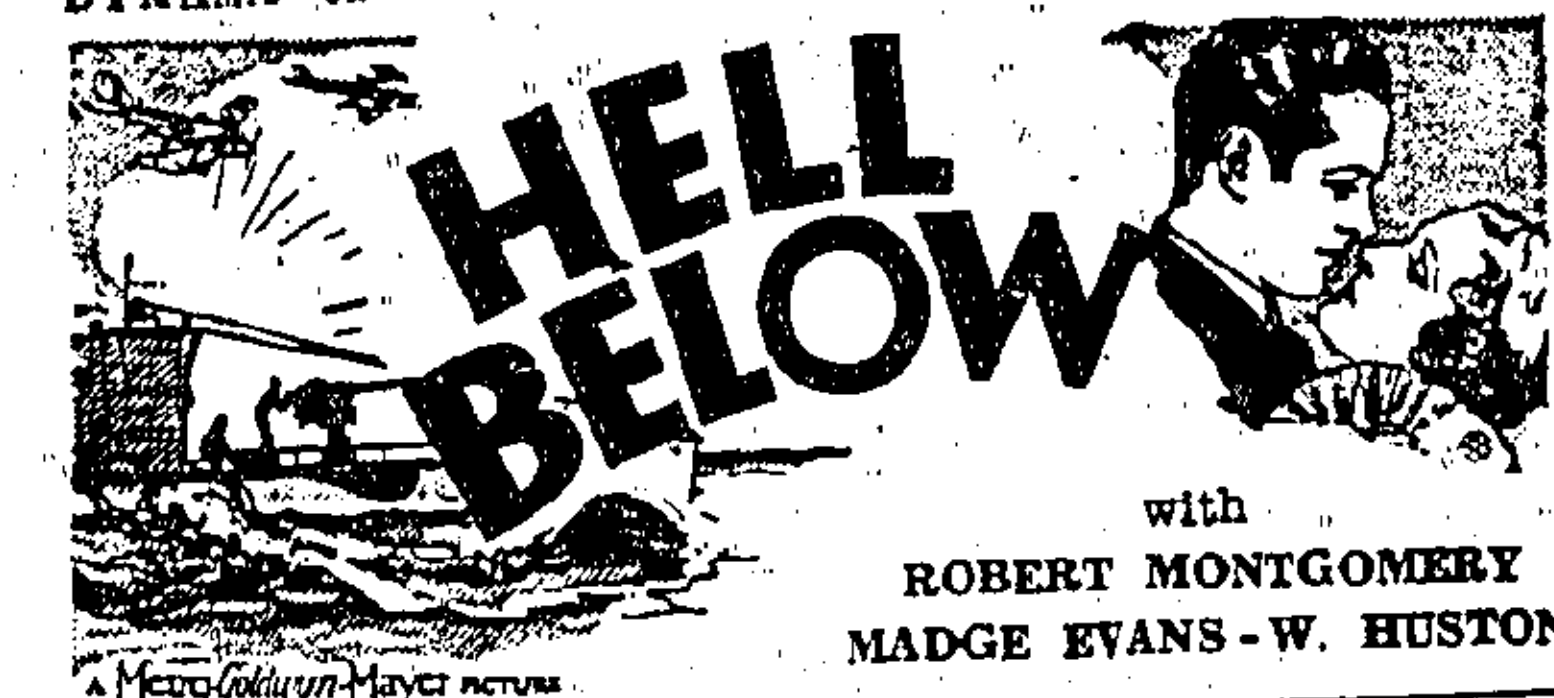
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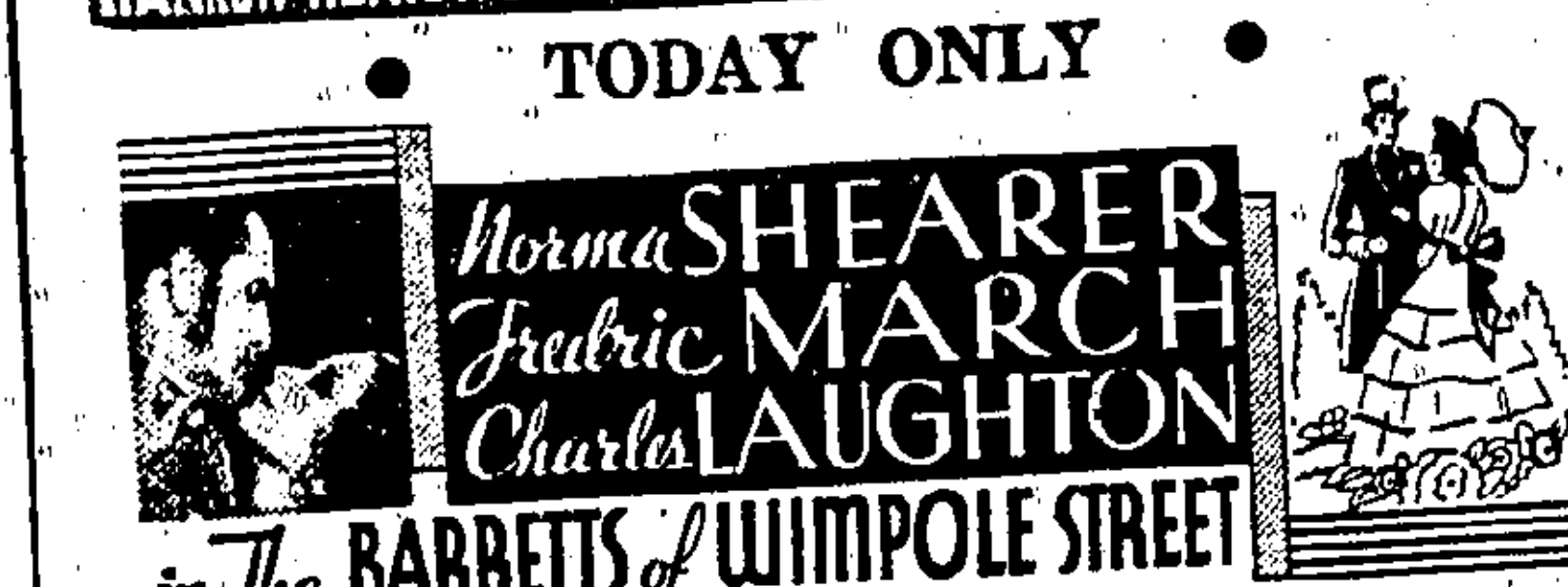
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APRIL
25—Tides: High 10.55 a.m.; Low 4.26 a.m. and 8.55 p.m.
Sunrise: 5.57 a.m.; Sunset: 6.47 p.m.
Anzac Day: Ceremony at Cenotaph, 11 a.m.
Army Inter-Unit Athletic Meet. Entries close for Macao Races, 12 noon.
Polo Ground, 2.30 p.m.
R.N.Y. Police Recreation Room. Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.
H.K. Eugenics League. Annual Mtg. Gloucester Bldg., 6 p.m.
H.K. Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd. Annual Meeting, 12 noon.
H.K. University: Exhibition of Paintings, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.
Y.M.C.A.: Games Morning, 10 a.m.
Legislative Council Meeting, 2.30 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.). Govt House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Cathedral Women's Fellowship. Cathedral Hall, 3.30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 2.30 p.m.
Busy Bees Knitting and Bandage-Making. Central Fire Station, 9.30 a.m.
Colony Tennis Championships. H.K. M.C.L. Annual Meeting. Helena May Inst., 11 a.m.
Chess Club. Mahjong and Contract Bridge.
Theosophical Society Meeting, 8 p.m.—Speaker: Mr. R. K. Laine "Mist and His Teachings."
H.K. Y's Men's Club "Ladies Night," St. Francis Hotel, 7.30 p.m.
H.K. Philatelic Society, S.C.M.P., 5.30 p.m.
Chess Championship Continued. Ladies' Bill Study, 216, Nathan Road, 10.30 a.m.
26—Tides: High 12.53 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. Low 4.56 a.m. and 8.46 p.m.
Sunrise: 5.56 a.m.; Sunset: 6.48 p.m.
Softball League Presentation.
Night School.
Inter-School Sports (Finals), Caroline Hill.
Referees' Assn. Dance. Hotel Cecil, R.A.C. Monthly Meeting—Speaker: Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell on "Meanings of Place Names in H.K."
Diocesan Old Girls Assn. General Meeting and Dinner, 7.30 p.m.
Cheero Club: Concert, 9 p.m.
H.K. University: Exhibition of Paintings, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.
Y.M.C.A.: Badminton and Mixed Swimming from 6 p.m.
Annual R.A. Golf Meeting at Fanling.
Victoria Recreation Club. Annual Meeting, 6 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.). Govt House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Colony Tennis Championships.
27—Tides: High 1.55 a.m. and 12.06 p.m. Low 5.30 p.m. and 7.40 p.m.
Sunrise: 5.56 a.m.; Sunset: 6.48 p.m.
R.E.O.C.A. Grand Cabaret Dance, 8.30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Club Hockey and Badminton Dinner. Dance. St. Andrew's Hall, 7.30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Club. Mixed Seven-A-Side Hockey Tournament. King's Park, 2.30 p.m.
H.K. University: Exhibition of Paintings, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.
Mountain Lodge: Entertainment to Girl Guides Association, 3 p.m.
28—Tides: High 3.05 a.m. and 12.49 p.m. Low 6.04 a.m. and 8.48 p.m.
Sunrise: 5.55 a.m.; Sunset: 6.48 p.m.
H.K. Golf Club. Adamson Cup Final due to be completed.
K.C.C. Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament, 2.30 p.m.
Military Band Concert at Peninsula Hotel.
Six-a-Side Hockey Tournament.
29—Tides: High 4.22 a.m. and 1.50 p.m. Low 6.45 a.m. and 9.52 p.m.
Sunrise: 5.55 a.m.; Sunset: 6.48 p.m.
St. Patrick's Hall. Garden Road: Lecture by Rev. W. P. MacDonagh "The Faith in Europe."
Cheero Club: Gala Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Children's Playgrounds Assn. Annual Mtg., 8.15 p.m.
30—H.K. Telephone Co. Ltd. Annual Mtg., 12 noon.
St. Andrew's Church Hall: Dramatic Performance, 9.15 p.m.
H.K. Agency for Netherlands Insurance Co. Ltd. to be discontinued.
St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship. Charity Mahjong Drive, 3 p.m.

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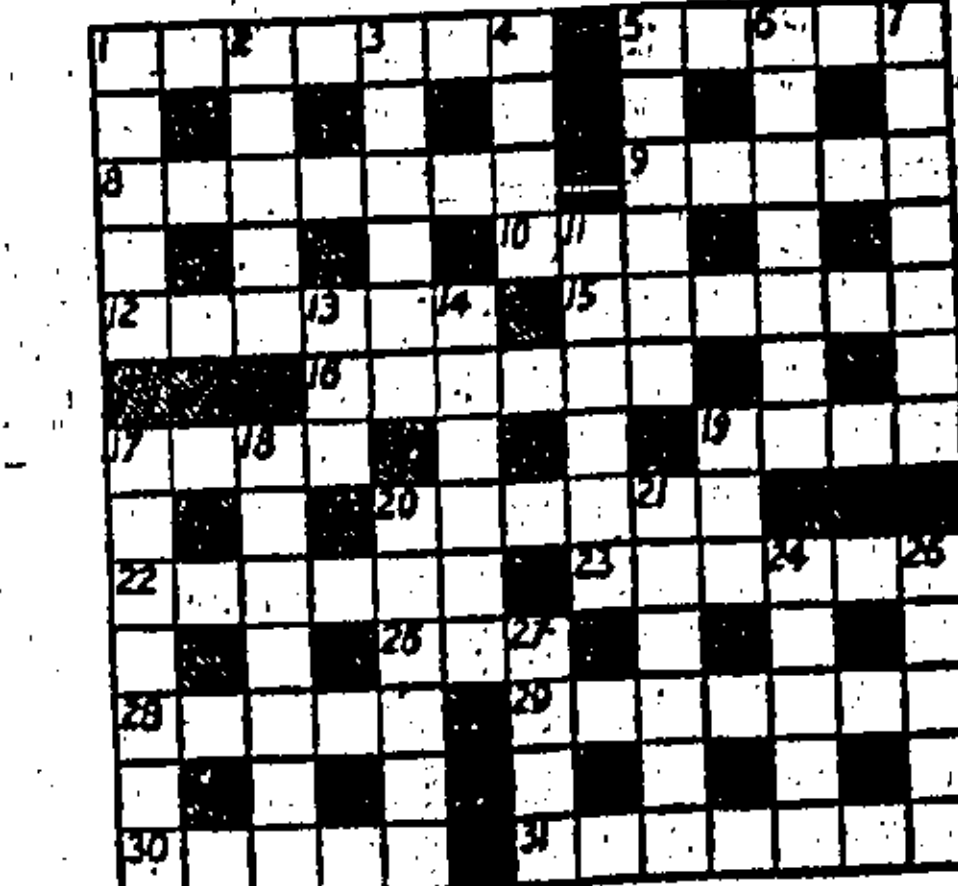
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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 Coleman Hawkins (Saxophone) and Jack Harris and His Orchestra.

12.45 p.m. In Santa Margherita; Cry, Baby, Cry—Jack Harris and His Orchestra.
Some of These Days (Brookes); After You've Gone (Creamer, Layton)—Coleman Hawkins (Saxophone) and Jack Harris and His Orchestra.
Mama, I Wanna Make Rhythm (Film "Manhattan Music Box"); Have You Ever Been in Heaven (Film "Manhattan Music Box")—Jack Harris and His Orchestra.
It Sends Me (Hawkins)—Coleman Hawkins (Saxophone) and Jack Harris and His Orchestra.
Tango-Romany—Tango-Romany at the Piano.
You Must Have Been a Beautiful Baby (Film "Hard to Get")—Jack Harris and His Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Hawaiian Selections.

1.15 Waltzes—Good-Bye, Hawaii—Norman Clark and His South Sea Islanders; Rose of Hawaii—Don Barrientos and His Hawaiian Orchestra.
Beautiful Woman (Kahala)—William Ewald (Vocal) with Royal Hawaiian Glee Club. Little E (Kaula)—Luzie Aloha (Vocal) with Royal Hawaiian Glee Club.
Fox-Trots—Serenade in the Night; Slippery Fingers—The Kaula Hawaiian Players.

1.20 Songs by Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano).

1.30 Sweet Mystery of Life (Film "Naughty Marietta"); Italian Street Song (Film "Naughty Marietta"). Tonight will teach me to forget (Film "The Merry Widow").

1.35 Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Compositions of Saint-Saens.

Carnival of the Animals—Suite—Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orch. Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso, Op. 28—Alfred Campoli (Violin) and the London Symphony Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Studio—Children's Hour.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Elgar—Sonata in E Minor, Op. 82.

Albert Sammons (Violin) and William Murdoch (Piano).

7.15 Studio—An appeal on behalf of "Toe H."

7.18 Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).

Waltzing Matilda (Cowan, arr. Wood); Walata Poi (Hill)—with Orchestra and Chorus. On the Road to Mandalay (Oley Speaks); Sylvia (Oley Speaks)—with Piano accompaniment by Herbert Dawson.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Two-Piano Recital by Herbert and Bernhard Ruff (from the Gloucester Hotel).

8.23 Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

"A Waltz Dream"—Potpourri (Strauss, arr. Dostal). The Music Comes (O. Strauss). Song of Paradise (Reginald Dixon). Columbine's Rendezvous (Haykowsky). "Die Fledermaus"—Selection (J. Strauss).

8.45 Jessie Matthews (Soprano). Rale da Costa (Piano) and Reginald Dixon (Organ).

Organ—Chorus Gentlemen. Please—Intro: Hunting we will go; Sally in our Alley; John Peel; Oh Dear, what can the matter be; Londonderry Air; There's a Tavern in the Town; Men of Harlech; Drink to me only; British Grenadiers; The

Minstrel Boy; Sir Roger de Coverley; Auld Lang Syne—Reginald Dixon. Vocal—Slipping Through My Fingers (from "It's love again")—Jessie Matthews (Soprano) with Orchestra. Thews (Soprano) with Orchestra. Piano—A Thousand Goodnights (Donaldson). Trio (Samuels and Whitcup)—Rale da Costa with Orchestra. Vocal—Let Me Give My Happiness to You (Film "The Good Companions"). Three Wishes (Film "The Good Companions")—Jessie Matthews (Soprano) with Orchestra. Organ—Dancing Time No. 5—The Fox-Trot (Gratiana). I miss you in the morning. The Waltz—I shall always remember you smiling; Where the Shannon flows down to the sea—Reginald Dixon.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Vive la France."

9.45 A Light French Programme.

La Polka Du Roi (Trenet); Le Grand Cafe (Trenet)—Charles Trenet (Vocal) and His Orchestra. Le Bonheur est entre deux Mon Coeur (Film "Goualeuse"); Dis-Moi Pourquol (Film "La Goualeuse")—Lys Gauty (Vocal) with Orchestra. Et Est Un Doux Pays (Nuttie-Laurent); Colombe (Pierlas-Fernay)—Micheline (Tenor) with Orchestra. Mon Met- leur Ami (Berthomieu); Boyer (Trenet) with Orchestra. Pigeon Volé (Film "Misaki"); En Quittant Une Ville (Trenet)—Charles Trenet and His Orchestra.

10.15 Grief—Incidental Music to Peter Grief.

Vienna Symphony Orchestra with Chorus conducted by Paul Keryb.

10.30 Half an hour of Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—I Could Use a Dream (Film "Sally, Irene and Mary"); Sweet as a Song (Film "Sally, Irene and Mary")—Roy Fox and His Orchestra.

Tango—Night on the La Plata; Buen Amigo—Juan Llorens and His Tango Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Swing, Brother, Swing; Basin Street Blues; Willie Lewis and His Orchestra.

Waltz—Dance the Moonlight Waltz with Me; Slow Fox-Trot—I Still Love to Kiss You; Goodnight (Film "52nd Street")—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra. Fox-Trots—So Little Time; Says My Heart (Film "Cocanut Grove")—Jack Harris and His Orchestra.

11.00 Close down.

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Those kids, Fields declares, were responsible, in a measure, for his 42 years of achievement as an actor. They used to pick fights with him constantly—with Bill invariably taking a beating. But those beatings were the cause of Fields' enlarged proboscis. And that nose has had a lot to do with his success, which reaches new heights in Universal's "My Little Chickadee," showing today at the King's. Fields stars with Mae West in this picture.

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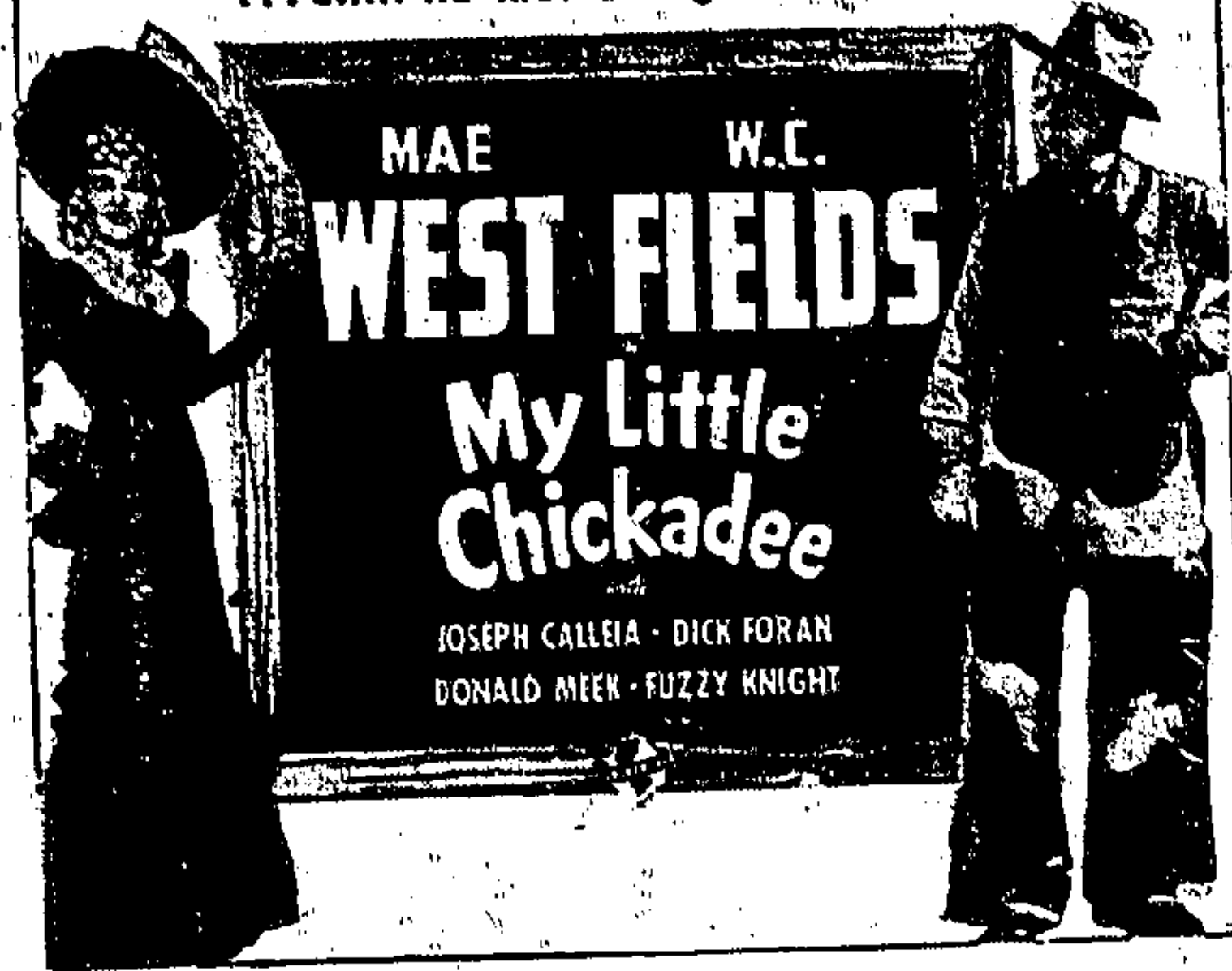
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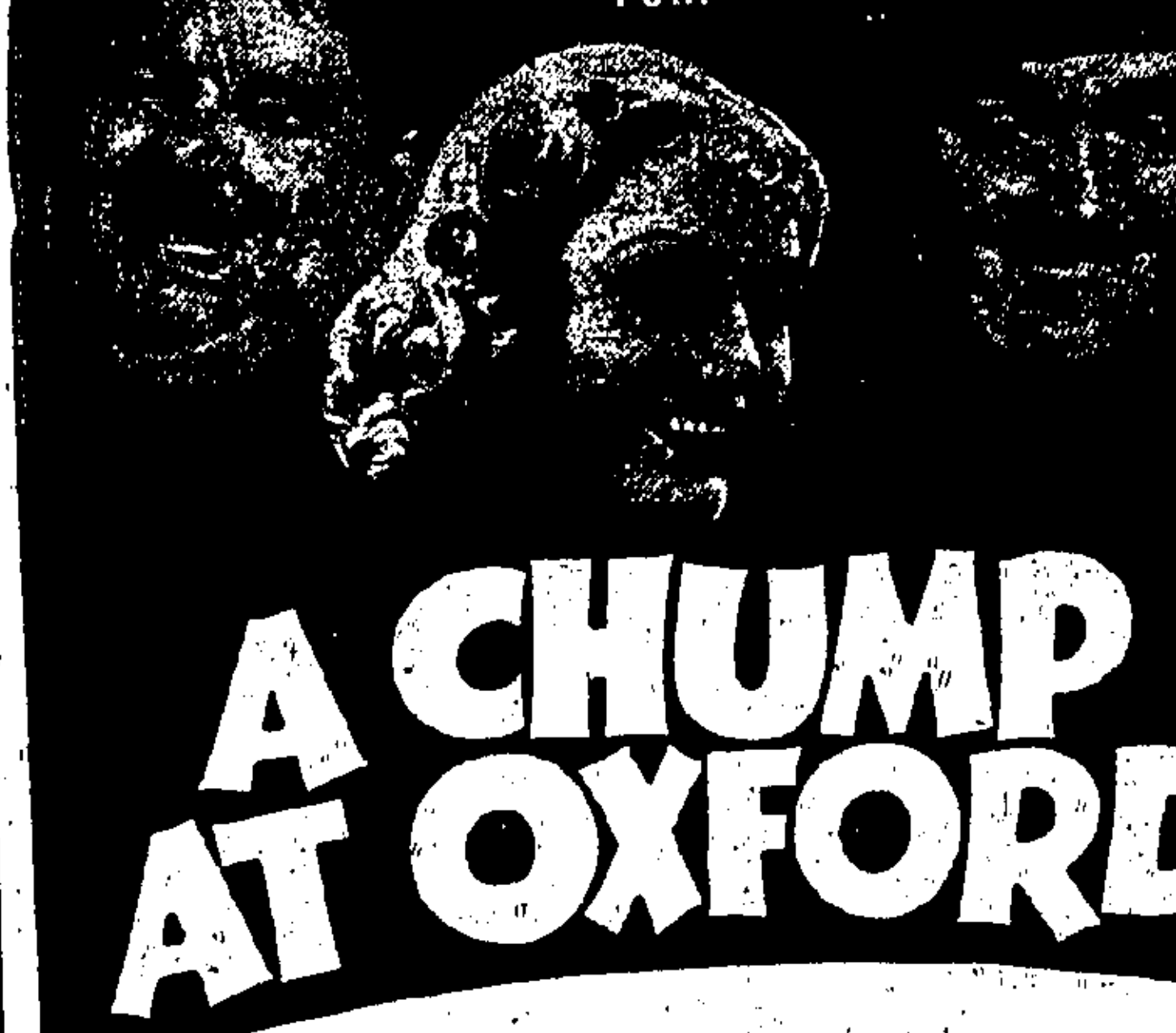
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Health Administration was promulgated by the Chinese National Government in a mandate last week. The Administration is placed under the direct jurisdiction of the Executive Yuan instead of as formerly under the Ministry of Interior. Dr. F. Z. King is the new director of the Administration.

FINANCIAL FRONT WILL HOLD FIRMLY

NO MORE MONEY FOR WORK

SUBSIDY FOR WANG SUSPENDED

CHUNGKING, April 24 (Central).—Activities of the bogus Kuomintang formed by Wang Ching-wei have practically been suspended owing to financial stringency, according to a Shanghai dispatch. Bogus Kuomintang offices established in Shanghai, Kiangsu, Chekiang, North China, Kwangtung, Canton, the Nanking-Shanghai, and Shanghai-Hankow Railways, and the puppet Seamen's Union requiring an aggregate monthly maintenance fund of \$250,000.

With the suspension of the \$3,000,000 Japanese subsidy to the Wang Ching-wei clique as from April these offices have fallen into financial stringency.

Most of the responsible members have flocked to Nanking to seek puppet government posts.

Owing to internal dissension, the "Standing Committee of the Executive Committee of the Kuomintang" under Wang Ching-wei has not held any meeting for some time.

LONDON, April 24 (Havas).—According to the Daily Telegraph, the British Government has decided to give up the plan to establish the Atlantic air mail service. Sir Samuel Hoare, Home Secretary, will probably make a speech in the House of Commons tomorrow on this subject.

Increase Of Taxation Is Unavoidable

COMPANY DIVIDENDS TO BE LIMITED

The following is a continuation of the Budget speech by Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, the first portion of the speech was published in our issue of yesterday:—

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—Continuing his Budget speech, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer then dealt with the question of how much would be provided by the continuance of the existing taxes at the existing level.

The yield of death duties was estimated at £85,000,000, and stamp duties at £19,000,000. National Defence contributions and the Excess Profit tax, which are alternatives, were estimated to yield £70,000,000.

If there were no Excess Profits tax, they could look for a yield of £28,000,000 from National Defence contributions.

Inland Revenue duties on the existing basis were estimated to yield £658,000,000—an excess of £75,000,000 over what it was last year.

As regards Customs and Excise which produced £400,000,000 in 1939-40, it is estimated on last year's basis to produce this year £420,000,000.

POSTAL REVENUE FOR EXCHEQUER

For motor vehicle duties, he estimated revenue at £35,000,000.

Sir John then dealt with Post Office revenue and disclosed that it had been decided to take the Post Office revenue into the Exchequer.

The machinery operating in the Excess Profits tax was being made more efficient, but it must not be imagined that the changes involved constituted merely a list of concessions to tax-payers. They did not. There would be consideration for concerns belonging to depressed industries.

In view of the war conditions, they must postpone the general revaluation of properties for assessment for income tax which otherwise should have been made this year.

Sir John also proposed an amendment of the legislation to deal with certain forms of estate duty avoidance.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

In regard to Customs and Excise, Sir John proposed to introduce legislation on two points:

(1) To assist export trade by improving the conditions on which drawback was payable on exported goods, which had been subject, on importation, to key industries' duties; (2) The proposal would relate to a margin of preference on Empire sugar, the stability of which was related to the operation of the International Sugar Agreement of 1937.

INCOME TAX RAISE

The object of the legislation would be to make it clear that the present preference would continue to the end of August, 1942, the period originally contemplated under the Agreement.

It was, however, necessary to impose additional taxes to increase the total of £1,133,000,000 of revenue which would be produced if they confined themselves to the provisions enforced last year.

Sir John said he must, therefore, look both to direct and indirect taxation.

Sir John continued: "In the field of direct taxation, I must bring into actual operation proposals for increasing the standard rates and reducing allowances, which I indicated in advance last September."

"I then said that we should not limit our view to six months alone. Accordingly I propose in the Finance Bill to raise the standard rate of income tax from seven shillings to seven shillings six pence. These are very severe increases which put a heavier burden on direct taxation in this country than the direct taxpayer has ever been called to pay before."

EFFECTS ILLUSTRATED

"The standard rate tax will have been increased within a single year from five shillings and six pence to seven shillings and six pence. With the surtax added, the maximum rate will reach 17 shillings in the pound."

OPENING OF YANGTZE MERE GESTURE

CHUNGKING, April 24 (Central).—Japan's publicity regarding the opening of the Yangtze River is regarded in shipping circles as a mere gesture, says a message from north Kiangsu.

Japanese control of the river has so far shown no relaxation. Ships of Third Powers plying between Shanghai and Nantungchow, and other harbours in north Kiangsu have recently been forced to suspend operations owing to constant interference by Japanese naval vessels.

"Nothing on this scale has ever been approached before, whether in war or peace. The highest previous rate of income tax was six shillings in 1918 and with super-tax added, the maximum during the last war was 10s. 6d. in the pound."

Sir John gave illustrations of the effects of the proposed taxation, saying that a married man without children, if he earned £300 a year, would pay £15 income tax instead of £7 last year and £5 the year before.

If he earned £400 a year, he would pay £30 12s. 6d. instead of £17 10s. last year and £12 12s. 6d. the year before.

The £300 a year man would pay £92 13s. 3d. instead of £73 10s. last year and £56 12s. 6d. the previous year.

These changes, together with minor ones, would produce in this year from direct taxation, £42,500,000 and in a full year £61,750,000.

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Another change was in respect of surtax, which for 1940-41, he proposed should be charged on incomes in excess of £1,500 a year instead of £2,000. It did not increase the tax payable this year by those with incomes between £1,500 and £2,000, but it made it possible to do so in 12 months' time.

In the realm of indirect taxation, he proposed to add to the existing duties on beer, spirits, tobacco and matches.

The increase on beer would be roughly equivalent to one penny per pint, which would take effect from tomorrow.

This increase in beer duty, he estimated, would produce £18,000,000 in a full year and £15,000,000 in the current financial year.

FRENCH THANKED

The spirit duty would be increased by 15s. per proof gallon making it 9s. 6d.

The ruling price for a bottle of whisky was 14s. 3d. and the increase would be equivalent to the addition of 1s. 8d.

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Hitler Is Denounced By Japan

ALLIED VICTORY PREDICTED

LONDON, April 24 (Havas).—Confidence of the ultimate victory of the Allies was expressed by Viscount Hisakira Kano, Manager of the London branch of the Yokohama Specie Bank.

"I think the turning in favour of the Allies came around Easter. This movement has already begun and is still going on."

Mr. Kano added that pro-Allied feeling is growing immensely, especially since the Allies sent help to Norway. "As for Hitler's adventure in Norway I can see little to commend that. The consequences of its failure would be most serious for him," he concluded.

Egypt Remains Firm Friend

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—The debate on Monday in the Egyptian Chamber of Deputies on foreign affairs has been received with considerable interest in London where the point that is noted specially is the firmness of spirit of Egypt in the cause of the democracies.

As the Egyptian Premier pointed out, as soon as the war was declared, Egypt at once carried out her obligations under the Treaty of Friendship with the Allies, standing by them.

She was simply demonstrating the real spirit of all Egypt. One Deputy said that in the present struggle, Egypt should not be content merely to stand by. She should also bring her influence to bear on all Eastern Moslem countries so that they, too, should support the Allies.

The cause of the Allies is the cause of all Egypt.

Another Deputy said that even if Egypt had not been required to stand by the Allies through the Treaty, she would still have done so.

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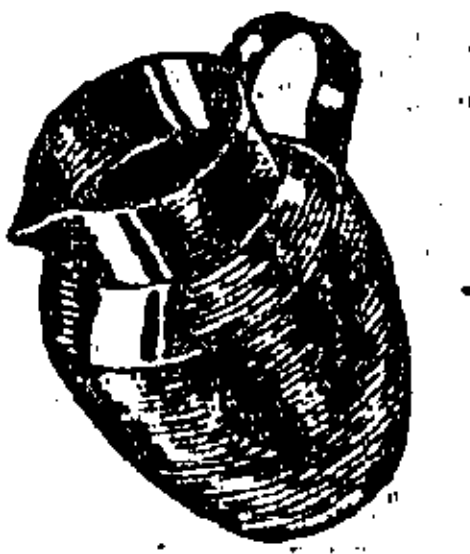
TALLIN, April 24 (Havas).—Despite the close political ties linking Estonia and the Soviet, the Estonian police have arrested many Communists engaged in Communist propaganda, including the distribution of pamphlets calling the population to establish a Communist regime.

Strangely enough, according to press reports, the arrests were made with the consent of the Soviet Government.

CHINESE ACTIVE

PINYANG, April 24 (Central).—Japanese troops on the Nanking-Yenchow highway have been subjected to constant raids by the Chinese. As a result of Chinese attacks, the Japanese at Pingtung, Taitung, Natiu, Lungtau and other points along the highway have been driven off. Increasing Chinese pressure is exerted upon Fongshing. Areas to the west of Fongshing have been cleared of Japanese.

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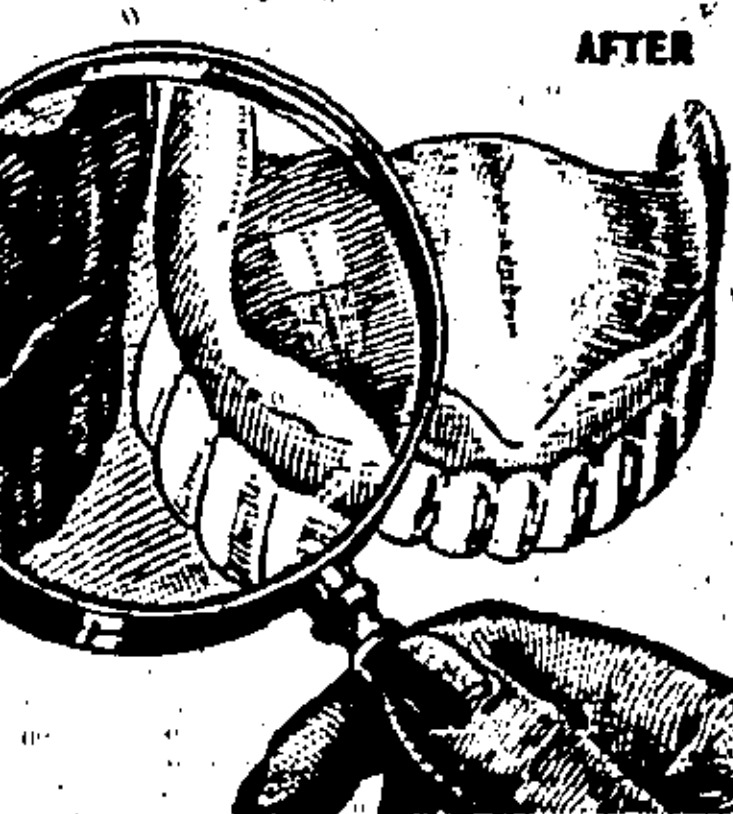
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CHINESE TROOPS BREAK WAY INTO KAIFENG

Japanese Barracks And Depots Set On Fire

CHUNGKING, April 24 (Central).—Intensified fighting is raging on the Hunan, Kiangsi and Shansi fronts with the Chinese gaining the upper hand, according to military advices.

Chinese units staged a lightning attack on Kaifeng, capital of the province on the Lunghai Railway, on Monday night. By the next morning they succeeded in breaking into the city through the north and south gates. A Japanese unit attempting to force its way out through the south gate was wiped out.

Fierce street fighting ensued with the Japanese sustaining heavy losses. Japanese barracks and supply depots were set on fire. The Kaifeng-Lanfeng section of the Lunghai Railway was damaged.

Simultaneously with the raid on Kaifeng, the Chinese also attacked Hwaiyang, south of Taitung, and Chusienchen, south of Kaifeng.

COUNTER-ATTACKS

In a desperate attempt to check the Chinese steady advance the Japanese at Nanchang in north Kiangsi on Monday sallied forth in various directions to launch counter-strokes. One column made a feeble thrust at Wanchia-fow but was immediately driven back. Two other columns pushing toward Haisan and Tienchenka; were also repulsed with losses.

The Chinese are intensifying their activities along the Nanchang-Kiukiang Railway, which has been cut at several points north of Nanchang.

STRATEGIC POINTS RETAKEN

Severe blows have been administered by the Chinese to the Japanese forces driving southward

along the Changtienchen-Maotung highway in south Shansi. Though twice reinforced, the Japanese have not gained much headway.

The Chinese, holding favourable terrain, have scored successes northeast of Maotung. Several strategic points have been wrested back by them.

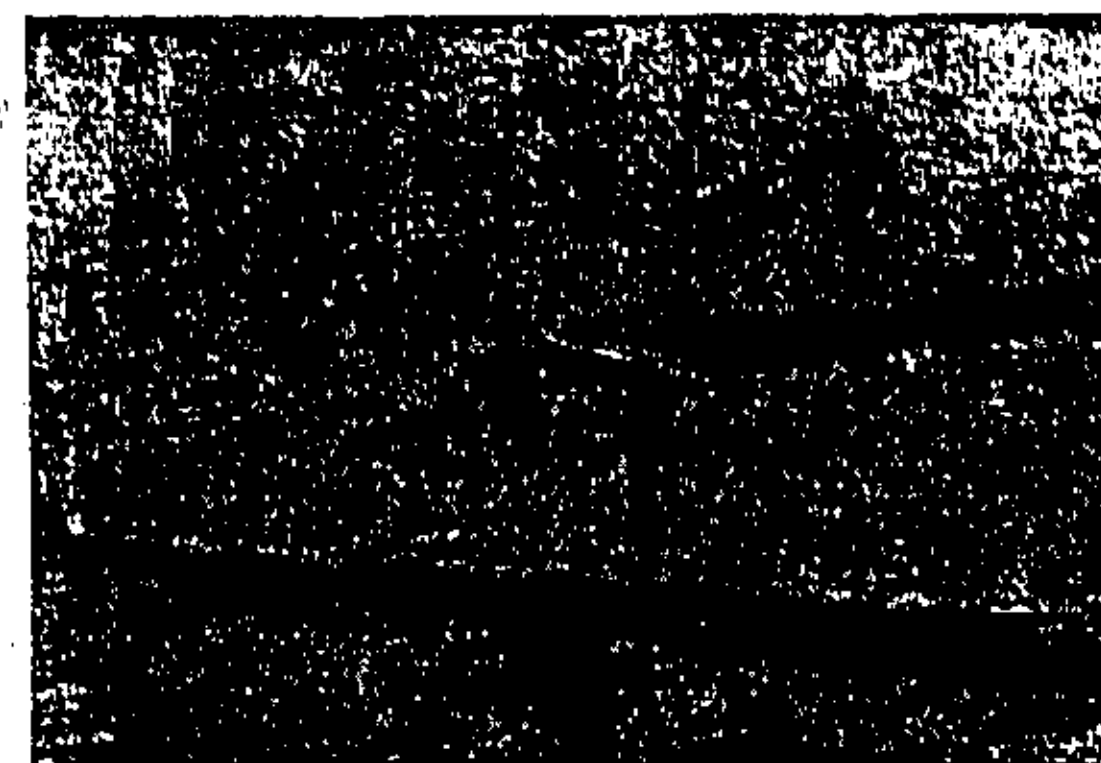
Chinese batteries on the south bank of the Yellow River have directed concentrated fire on the Japanese at Pinglu and Maotung-tu in the last few days, inflicting heavy losses on them. In retaliation a number of tear gas shells were fired by the Japanese on Sunday.

ENEMY RETREATING

In southeast Shansi, more than 15,000 Japanese at Changchih and Hukwan have launched a five-pronged southward drive since Saturday. Combats are reported fiercest on a line stretching from Lingchuan to Sanchiatun, northeast of Kaoping.

A Japanese force was defeated in an encounter near Tsinshui, east of Yicheng, a few days ago. The enemy is now retreating west and northwest of Tsinshui with the Chinese following in pursuit.

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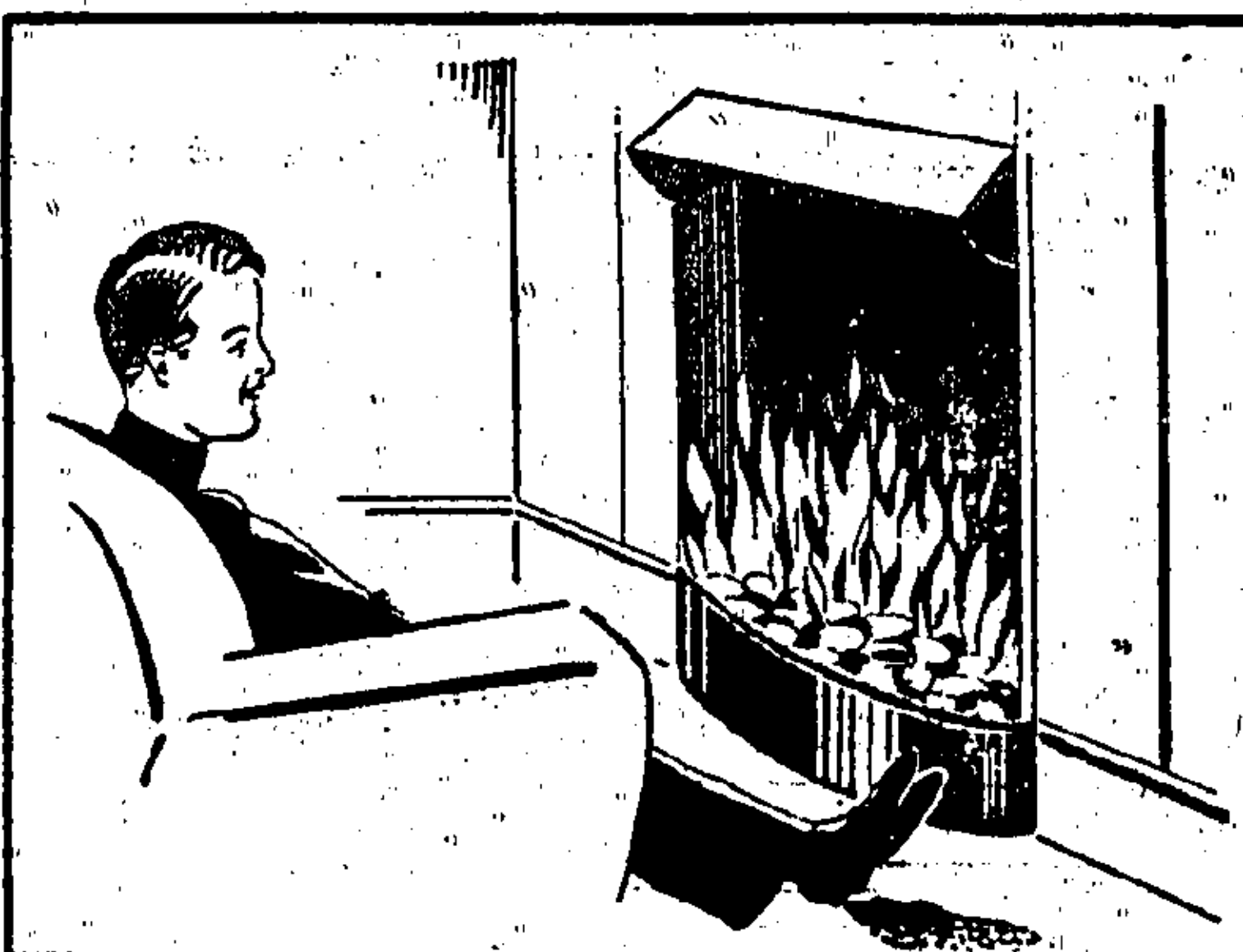
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MR. D. J. SLOSS RETURNS

Yesterday was a busy day at Kai Tak airport with the arrival and departure of Imperial Airways planes, and the arrival of the Pan American Airways Clipper from Manila, (bringing, among others, the victorious Eastern football team and the arrival of the Air France plane from Bangkok and Hanoi.

The Philippine Clipper, piloted by Capt. S. Bancroft, assisted by Chief Officer J. E. Anderson, arrived a few minutes after 4.30 p.m., bringing the following passengers in addition to 18 Eastern football players and officials:—

Lt. J. Lederer, of the U.S. Navy, who is on a flying honeymoon visit to Hongkong with his young and very pretty bride of three days. They were married in Manila on Sunday, and are staying at the Gloucester Hotel.

Mr. Juan Carrero, Jr., is the son of a prominent mining magnate in the Philippines. He is returning to his studies in Hongkong.

Mr. Choc Ching-hien, a director of many Philippine firms is on a visit to Hongkong with his charming wife King Shih Tsung.

Mr. Ng Kham, another Chinese businessman is also on a visit to the Colony.

AIR FRANCE

The Air France liner ville de Damas which arrived half-an-hour earlier from Bangkok, Saigon and Hanoi, with mails from France and Europe, brought eight passengers, four Europeans and four Chinese.

Among them Mr. Mazot from Hanoi, Mr. Hilaire H. Henares, who is here on his way to the Philippine Islands from Calcutta where he has been on a holiday, Mr. Komatsu from Bangkok and Mr. Henry B. Jones, from Saigon. Mr. Jones is an American tourist on his way home from India.

(MR. SLOSS BACK)

The Imperial Airways plane Delta brought Miss O. Jones and Mr. D. J. Sloss, C. E. E. Vice-Chancellor of the Hongkong University, who is returning from leave.

The plane also brought 270 kilos of mail for Hongkong.

The Imperial Airways plane Denebola left for Bangkok and London yesterday morning with a large quantity of mail and the following passengers:—

Mr. F. B. Winters, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank who is travelling to London and Mr. and Mrs. Arakie, for Calcutta.

PASSENGERS

DEPARTURES FROM HONGKONG

The following passengers left the Colony yesterday for the North:—
Mr. Vassanmal Assanmal, Miss Katherine Baerg, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Baker, Mstr. Richard Baker, Miss Daphne Baker, Miss Sheila Baker, Mr. S. S. Chellaram, Dr. and Mrs. D. J. Collins, Mr. J. H. Ghandy, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hoover, Mstr. M. L. Hoover, Mstr. T. K. Hoover, Dr. Paul Monroe, Mrs. Elizabeth T. May, Miss Gaywood May, Lt. and Mrs. L. R. Neville, Mr. C. B. Robertson, Miss Katherine Rueck, Mr. Shigenori Sakata, Mr. Martin G. Scott, Mr. H. C. Seawell, Mr. R. P. Shaw, Miss A. Viola Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Steele, Dr. J. L. Stewart, Mr. Kisaburo Tanl, Capt. J. W. Tinson, Mrs. J. Van den Berg, Mstr. R. Van den Berg, Mrs. Marion Chan Waterman, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. White, Miss Elsa Youngdahl.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN COLONY

In the Colony of Hongkong including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Apr. 20, 1940, there were altogether 78 traffic accidents as the result of which 5 persons were killed and 23 persons were injured.

Of persons killed, two Chinese females and two Chinese males, aged 40, 31, 8 and 9 respectively, were knocked down and killed by a bus, a tramcar, a private car and a motor lorry respectively while crossing the carriageway.

Of persons injured, 18 were pedestrians who were struck by vehicles while crossing the carriageway.

Of 78 accidents, 29 were collisions between vehicles, 33 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians, 14 accidents were due to other causes.

BEAN HAWKER ACQUITTED

Remarks To Press By Judge

Lam Cheung-hing, 25-year-old bean sprouts hawkker of Hunghom, who was charged at the Criminal Sessions with the murder of Lam Hing on January 29, was acquitted when the jury, after retiring for half an hour, returned a verdict of Not Guilty.

The accused was originally arraigned at the March Criminal Sessions before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, when the proceedings were declared void. A new trial was ordered because of certain statements, made in evidence by the police officer who arrested, accused, that were considered prejudicial to the case for the defence.

Reference to this by certain newspapers (not the Hongkong Daily Press) whilst the fresh trial was still proceeding was commented upon by the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, before he commenced his summing-up.

NEW CONTEMPT

The Puisne Judge said that both the prosecution and the defence had been scrupulously careful not to mention the fact that the case was a re-trial. The featuring of this aspect of the case by certain local newspapers, said his Lordship, came perilously near to contempt of court.

He reminded the jury of their oath, which was to judge the case on the evidence presented, and only during the present trial, and not be influenced or prejudiced by anything which they might have seen or heard elsewhere.

In testimony yesterday, accused said he asked Lam Hing for the return of the jars or payment for them, which deceased refused. Subsequently, deceased struck him on the jaw and he warned off the blow and struck back.

PICKED UP KNIFE

After others had intervened, continued defendant, deceased picked up a knife and struck him, cutting his chest. He ran away, and in doing so snatched a knife that was lying about, with the deceased following close behind. During the chase, he waved his hand backwards with the knife in his hand. He did not realise it was a knife until afterwards. During the chase, accused said deceased cut him once on the thigh.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, assisted by Det. Insp. L. R. Whant, Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, appeared for the defence.

The following was the jury:— Messrs. T. B. Williams (foreman), Chung Kam-tong, L. A. Dabstein, E. R. Butcher, H. Mok, A. Demee and Wong Shun-him.

DUTCH LADY CAUTIONED

Mrs. Susana Ivanova Koolhass-Revers, a Dutch subject, residing at the Peninsula Hotel, was summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday for failing to report her departure from the Colony in July last year.

Detective-Sgt. J. Headridge, who prosecuted, said that the defendant came to the Registration Office to register her arrival at the Colony two days ago and it was then discovered that she had failed to report her departure last year.

It was stated that the defendant had to leave at very short notice and the necessary step had slipped her mind.

A caution was recorded.

WOULD BE THIEF CAUGHT

Appearing before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday, charged with the attempted theft of a handbag from a woman, Cheung Wing, 19, unemployed, was sentenced to six months' hard labour and recommended for banishment.

The complainant, Yeung Lai-hing, was walking in Queen's Road Central on Tuesday evening when she felt someone strike her wrist, breaking her watch. Defendant then started to run but was arrested by a police officer.

BAIL ESTREATED

Failing to appear before Mr. Houson at the Central Court yesterday to answer to the charge of keeping a common gambling house, Au Tang, 28, unemployed, had his bail of \$100 estreated.

Seven persons who were charged with gambling, were each fined \$3 while 13 absentees had their bail of \$3 estreated.

FIVE GERMANS TO LEAVE CONCESSION IN SHANGHAI

INFRINGEMENT UPON NEUTRALITY

Five German residents of the French Concession have been ordered to leave the Concession on or before April 30, according to an official of the French Consulate - General questioned by the "North-China Daily News" on April 17.

CONDITIONS MADE

The official recalled that at the outbreak of the war in September of last year, German residents in the Concession were given to understand that they could continue to reside there provided that they would do nothing to disturb peace and order, and that they would behave in a manner becoming to the neutrality of the French Concession.

This, the five Germans who have been ordered to vacate their French Concession premises before the end of the month, have not done. Rumours current recently indicated that other Germans would be gradually expelled from the Concession, but this was emphatically denied at the Consulate-General. The "North-China Daily News" being informed that only those Germans who, through their behaviour should infringe upon the conditions under which they are allowed to reside in the Concession, would be ordered to leave.

POSSESSION OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION

Option Of Fine For Two Men

Unlawful possession of arms and ammunition was the charge preferred against four men, Heung Kam, Kwok Pak-yuen, Tam Lin-wai, and Pun Kan, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, prosecuted. Fourth accused, who pleaded guilty, was represented by Mr. H. C. Macnamara, who made a plea for leniency. The following served on the jury:—Messrs. H. F. Williams (foreman), R. Tong, Fung Wai-sun, G. V. Fernandez, G. Nisbet, Man Hon-kwong and W. S. T. Louey.

After retiring ten minutes, the jury brought in a verdict of guilty against all accused, but recommended clemency in the case of the second, Kwok Pak-yuen.

The Chief Justice sentenced first and third accused, who are already serving terms of imprisonment for conspiracy to commit a crime, to nine months' and 12 months' hard labour, respectively. Second and fourth accused were sentenced to three months each, but given the option of a fine of \$100.

RADIO SET TO BE CONFISCATED

Li Hap-mo, residing at No. 271, Des Voeux Road Central, was summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday for possession of a radio set without licence.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, who appeared for the defence, pleaded not guilty, and said that the set was not the property of his client.

Mr. J. Key, Wireless Inspector, applied for permission for the confiscation of the set and also permission to withdraw the charge against defendant. This was granted.

COURT SEQUEL TO FIGHT

There was a sequel in the Central Court yesterday to the fight which took place in the Hongkong Club on Monday evening between a cloak room boy and the billiard marker, when the former appeared before Mr. R. Edwards on a charge of assault.

Fung kwok-keung pleaded not guilty and the case was adjourned to Friday noon.

HEALTH RETURNS

Twenty-three cases of tuberculosis, six of dysentery, three of chicken-pox, three of enteric fever, one of diphtheria and three of small-pox were reported to the Health Authorities for the 24 hours ended at midnight on April 23.

Failing To Register

BULB FACTORY SUMMONED

Charged with unlawfully using the premises of No. 35-37, Sai Yee Street, ground floor, as a factory, having failed to register such premises as required under the Factories and Workshops Ordinance, the Manager of the To Keng Electric Bulb Company was fined \$175 by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday.

Charged also with permitting the factory to be overcrowded as to be dangerous and injurious to the health of those employed, the manager was fined an additional \$75. It was stated in Court by Mr. D. W. Phillips, Assistant Inspector of Factories and Workshops, who prosecuted, that there were 97 persons employed on the premises where there was accommodation only for 40.

The Manager of the Tin Sing Electric Bulb Company, of No. 88, Argyle Street, was fined \$100 on a summons for overcrowding on the premises of the factory. Mr. Phillips said that there were 80 workers on the premises where the accommodation was for only 22. Open gas jet flames were in use and the case was relatively a worse one. The management had been fined \$75 for a similar offence only a week ago.

Summoned for allowing 30 women to be employed at an industrial undertaking at No. 23, Bedford Street, at 11.30 p.m. on April 5, as against the Labour Protection Ordinance, the manager of the World Light Factory was fined \$75. It was stated he had been fined \$150 in February this year for a similar offence.

MAGISTRATE'S KINDLY ACT

Remarking that cigarette butts picked up from the street contained germs of various description and that it was highly dangerous to "re-manufacture" them for human consumption, Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday imposed a fine of \$10 or 14 days imprisonment on Kwok Pang, 29, unemployed, who pleaded guilty to the charge of manufacturing cigarettes without a licence.

Kwok Pang said that he was formerly in the Chinese army and took part in the struggle against the Japanese invasion of Shanghai in the early stages of the hostilities. He was wounded and was disabled. He could not get any employment because he was lame.

Mr. Houston made an order for defendant to receive two dollars from the Poor Box at the expiration of his prison term.

STOLE FROM RELATIVE

Sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed on a married woman, Yeung Lai-kuen, 20, when she pleaded guilty before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday to a charge of theft of clothing, money and jewellery to a total value of \$105.

The theft was committed in September last year. The complainant, Leung So, sister-in-law of the defendant made a report to the police about her loss and on Tuesday she saw the defendant wearing a suit of clothes similar to the one she had lost. She took defendant to the Police Station where Yeung admitted the theft.

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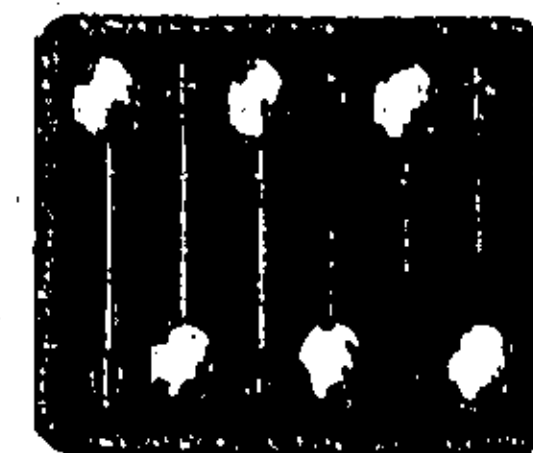
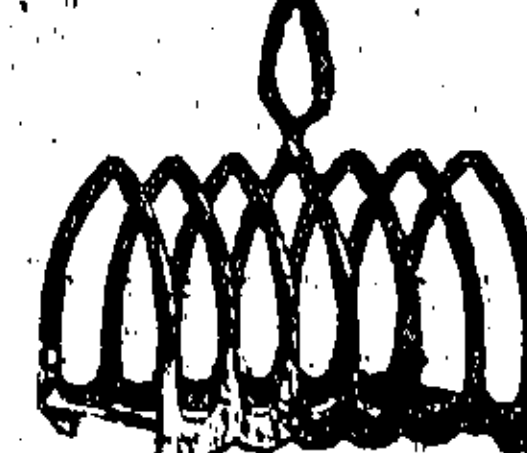
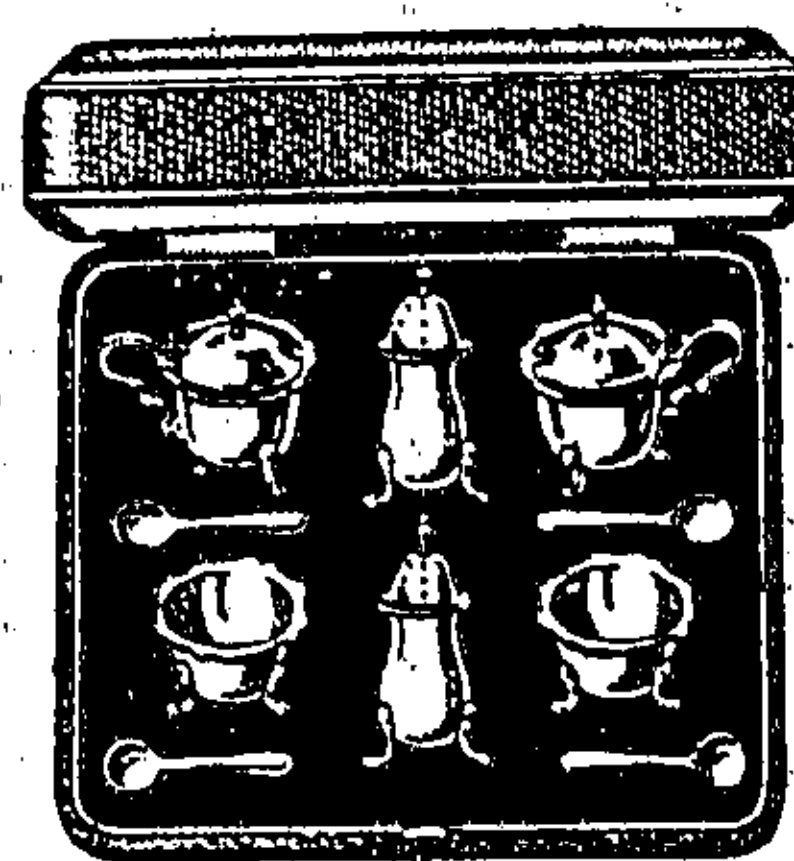
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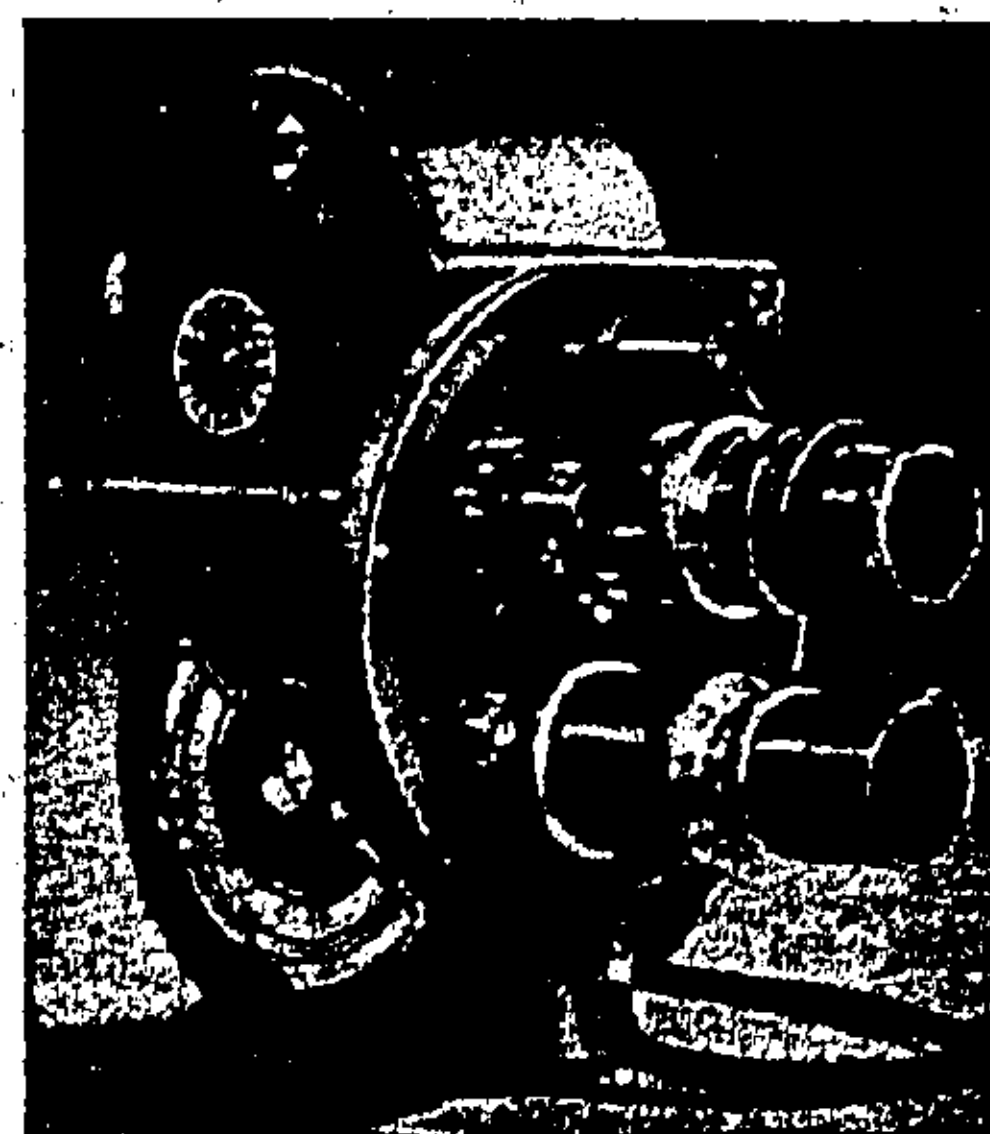
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A STAGGERING BUDGET

THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER presented the British public on Tuesday with a staggering budget—his second war-time account, which will naturally call for greater sacrifices on the part of every individual. Sir John Simon has budgeted for an expenditure of over £2,500,000,000—a colossal sum which must be expended to achieve the British war aims. The Chancellor, in his able presentation of these figures to Parliament, outlined how it was proposed to meet this expenditure. Extra taxation was, of course, to be expected, but the manner of its levying will not bear too heavily upon the taxpayer. As far as possible these extra taxes will fall on luxuries and even the working man's beer and tobacco has to be so regarded when the Empire is striving to ensure that his independence and freedom shall be preserved for all time. Through this extra taxation, which also includes an increase in the rate of Income Tax, the British Treasury is assured of securing nearly fifty per cent. of the huge sum needed to complete and carry on the war efforts of the nation. This leaves a balance of over £1,400,000,000 to be recovered from other sources, one of which the Chancellor mentioned being the limitation of dividends and a tax on profits.

THE CONTEMPLATED expenditure, as explained by Sir John Simon, exceeds the previous year's budget by the huge sum of £880,000,000. There will, however, be no shirking on the part of the British public to play its part and this heavy burden will be cheerfully shouldered. Every extra penny that the man-in-the-street is asked to pay will contribute towards achieving that goal for which the Empire has taken up arms—a better world, free from tyranny and threat, and a lasting peace. No one realises this better than the taxpayer in Britain, with the terrible examples of the oppressed peoples in Europe before him. Every extra imposition on their earnings will, therefore, be readily given in the conviction that it brings that day of freedom nearer to fulfilment.

THE GLOVES ARE OFF

SIMULTANEOUSLY with the announcement of the British war budget came the news of the important decisions reached at a meeting of the Allied Supreme War Council held in Paris on Monday and Tuesday. Since its last session the Allies have received the support of another partner in the stand they have taken against the German aggressor. Representing a country which has gallantly refused to be cowed by the Nazi war machine, Norway was represented on the Council by her envoy in Paris, who told the Council that his country was now unhesitatingly pledged to the Allied cause.

THERE WAS complete unanimity of purpose at this important meeting. Britain and France, together with their Polish and Norwegian allies, are now prepared for every move which might emanate from desperate Nazi Germany. The gloves have, in-

Back To It's First Love

GERMANS ATTACK FISHING BOATS

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—The German Air Force has now returned to its first love—the sowing of mines in the North Sea shipping lanes and attacks on defenceless fishing boats.

On Monday night there were raids off the east coast. One Nazi plane was caught in the direct beams of a searchlight. When anti-aircraft batteries opened fire it made off for the sea but was chased by fighter planes. No air raid warnings were sounded and no bombs were dropped on the land.

Two Swedish ships were attacked by Nazi planes on Monday in their own territorial waters and they were machine-gunned despite the fact that their National colours were well displayed, as was the case with a Dutch trawler the day before.

LYING IN WAIT FOR FOURTEEN GERMAN SHIPS

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—According to a Sydney broadcast, British warships are lying in wait for 14 German merchantmen which have taken refuge in Java ports.

Reports that the vessels have already put to sea proved to be wrong but it is thought that they may make a dash for Vladivostok.

ORDERED TO LEAVE SWEDISH WATERS

Special To H.K. Daily Press
STOCKHOLM, Apr. 24 (Havas).—The official Swedish Agency stated: "The coastguards ordered yesterday five German ships, anchored off Stromstad, to leave Swedish territorial waters."

The ships were former Norwegian whalers used as minesweepers.

H.K. REFEREES' ASSN. DANCE

The second monthly dance of the H.K. Football Referees' Association will be held at the Hotel Cecil on Friday next, April 26, dancing from 8.30 p.m. to 1 a.m. The band of the 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots (by kind permission of Lt.-Col. D. J. McDougall, M.C. and officers) will be in attendance. Spot-prizes will be given in each half.

This is the last dance. The Referees will hold this season and a good evening is promised. Tickets (Gents. \$1.50, Ladies \$1 (including refreshments), may be obtained from the Treasurer (Mr. A. W. Smith), The Hotel Cecil, any Football Referee, or at the door. Reservations may be made by telephoning Hotel Cecil No. 26684. Mr. Hobson and Mr. Banham will be M.C.s.

A member of the Eastern football team, who is attached to the Chinese Royal Engineers, and who was alleged to have left the Colony for the tour in Manila without permission of the military authorities, is reported to have returned here on a Dutch steamer. Apparently he has not reported his arrival to the authorities.

deed, been taken off and the battle is now on in real earnest to secure the victory of right over might. It matters little now where the Reichsfuehrer contemplates striking. The Allied war machine is working in co-ordination in every field, fighting for world freedom and fully resolved now to meet force with equal force.

THE LESSON of Denmark and Norway should now be well learned by the other small neutral states in Europe who are undoubtedly on the list of Herr Hitler's sinister lottery. Sweden, the Netherlands, Belgium, the Balkan States—all have reason to fear aggression. There is now a clear indication to them now that the Allied aims stand for the interests of humanity and against the cynical brutality which the Nazis are pursuing. The road to joining forces in this crusade against the menace of Nazism is open to all of them so that their peace and security might the sooner be assured.

ST. PAUL'S GIRLS' COLLEGE EN FETE

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could not be fulfilled, and the Committee was compelled to open the building with a debt of \$180,000.

With commendable courage, Dr. Woo volunteered to go abroad to find the money, and her faith and plucky efforts have been more than justified. Thus the School was freed from debt. I am grateful for the opportunity which this occasion affords me to make another, though totally inadequate, acknowledgment of this great service.

Since then the growth of St. Paul's Girls' College has been uninterrupted.

The results of the past twenty-five years could not have been achieved without the willing help, close co-operation and hard work of the staff.

COLLEGE MOTTO

The motto of the College is "Faith, Hope and Charity." The College has ever endeavoured to keep before it this ideal. We need faith, charity and hope in these days when we are confronted with two wars. The part which women are playing in social and public life today is of paramount importance. There are many opportunities for women's work in the fields of charity and service, and in these fields are to be found many past and present students of this College.

Ladies and gentlemen, today we commemorate the twenty-fifth Birthday of St. Paul's Girls' College. I offer Dr. Woo, her able staff, and all students hearty congratulations, and I wish the College continued and ever-increasing prosperity. But in this celebration we commemorate not only the past; we look steadily to the future, and will strive, by the grace of God, to approach nearer to the realisation of the noble ideal which the College motto sets before us—Faith, Hope and Charity.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

After expressing His Excellency's regret at being unable to be present, Lady Northcote, reading a message from His Excellency, said:—

It is a keen disappointment to me that my doctor, aided and abetted by my wife, will not release me in time for this celebration of the College's quarter-century birthday. It has long been a wish of mine to visit Dr. Woo's famous school, indeed I reproached her gently, not to say timidly, some while ago for not having asked me, only to learn that I was being 'saved up' for this nappy occasion; and now Fate has decreed otherwise.

The twenty-five years during which St. Paul's College has been growing up to its present eminence have brought many important changes to Hongkong and one of the most important has been the great stride made in the education of girls and the consequent broadening of the outlook of women in this Colony. And in my view the importance of that lies chiefly in this: that the first step to be taken towards the cure of any social ill in a community is to teach the members of that community to realize the fact that it is an ill and an enemy which it is the duty of the community to attack and destroy.

We are so used to seeing such anti-social evils as sweated labour, sweated both in wages and in hours of work—faulty or neglectful treatment of infants and growing children, malnutrition, bad housing, careless spreading of disease and so forth that we are apt to be blind to the fact that they are not merely bad things as things go but, indeed, active cankers in our body politic, doing immense harm year by year; harm which only too often is irreparable, so far as the actual persons hurt are concerned.

MUST BE BETTERED

First, then, must come recognition that much of what has been looked upon as part of the ordinary 'make-up' of the community's life is thoroughly bad and must be bettered: once, however, that 'consciousness of wrong within' is really working, half the battle will have been won. The moral is obvious: there must be schools, and more schools and still more schools, so that these social diseases may come to be realized by all as things which must be destroyed.

And that applies at least as much to girls' schools as to boys; for the influence of women, as citizens, wives and mothers, upon the conduct of ordinary human affairs is immensely powerful,

though most of its work is done out of sight in the home. That is why I rejoice in knowing how girls' schools have multiplied in Hongkong during the life-time of St. Paul's Girls' College, many of them inspired by the College's example; and that is why I have been so wishful to visit St. Paul's which twenty-five years ago broke new ground as a Chinese high-class school for girls.

TRIBUTE TO DR. WOO

Lastly, though not leastly, I wanted very much to see my friend Dr. Katie Woo in the little world that she has built here for the good of others, and I am much disappointed that I can only do so with the eye of the spirit. For practically the whole of its life St. Paul's has had the never-fading love and wise care of Dr. Woo and the great name that the school has won under her hands is the just reward of her devotion and of the admirable work of her able and conscientious staff.

I congratulate the College most heartily on its high standing; and on this birthday occasion I most sincerely wish it—in the English phrase—"Many Happy Returns of the Day."

DR. KATIE WOO

Expressing thanks to the various helpers of the school, Dr. Woo said she wished to endorse Sir Robert Kotewall's expression of deep regret that His Excellency the Governor was prevented by indisposition from attending the proceedings, and sincerely hoped that complete health and strength would soon be restored to His Excellency. They were highly honoured that Lady Northcote was able to come, and give added joy to their festivities.

Dr. Woo also regretted that the chairman, Bishop Hall, who is still occupied with his spiritual ministrations in China could not return to Hongkong in time to preside over the function.

It was obviously impossible for her, she said, even if she had the time to do so, to thank the host of men and women who for some three decades have helped to make the school what it was. She wanted to record once again their sense of gratitude to the Government for the many ways in which it had helped them to help others.

The Principal also sincerely thanked Sir Robert Kotewall who had been their guide and stay throughout the past twenty years or more. He was indeed, "The Godfather of the School."

SCHOOLS' BENEFACTORS

Continuing, Dr. Woo paid tribute to one or two benefactors of the school: the late Mr. Lam Woo, one of the founders, and Mr. Lam Chik Ho who was carrying on the work so painstakingly begun by his father. The late Mr. Lye Hysan was another staunch supporter whose gift of the Hall to the School was always remembered.

Dr. Woo next thanked two of the most consistently hardworking of their advisers, Mr. J. M. Wong and Mr. Li Tse Fong. A step to be taken towards the cure of any social ill in a community is to teach the members of that community to realize the fact that it is an ill and an enemy which it is the duty of the community to attack and destroy.

We are so used to seeing such anti-social evils as sweated labour, sweated both in wages and in hours of work—faulty or neglectful treatment of infants and growing children, malnutrition, bad housing, careless spreading of disease and so forth that we are apt to be blind to the fact that they are not merely bad things as things go but, indeed, active cankers in our body politic, doing immense harm year by year; harm which only too often is irreparable, so far as the actual persons hurt are concerned.

The speaker paid warm tribute to the staff for their loyalty and co-operation. Miss Esther Kotewall, Mr. Yung Kung Fu, Mr. Tsun Woon and Miss Lee Wai San were veterans of the school and the first two had helped to formulate its educational policy almost ever since its inception.

After an expression of appreciation to the students, for their response at all times, Dr. Woo concluded:—

"It is a curious coincidence that the School was founded in the middle of the Great War and today we are celebrating its 25th anniversary in a martial atmosphere."

Before I close, I want to say how delighted I was with the host of birthday presents which have come from a large circle of friends. Among them I would



Mr. Kwan Chi-nin and his pretty bride, formerly Miss Haul Hui-fang, after their marriage at the Registry on Tuesday. The bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. Kwan Cheuk-chuen, formerly well-known in Colony commercial circles.

3 Registry Weddings

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar of Marriages, officiated at three weddings at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday. The parties were:—

Mr. Ko Chak-po, of the Union Trading Co., Ltd., and Miss Tsui Shu-hing, of Hung Lee Gardens, Chuk Yuen village, Kowloon City; Mr. U. Hing-lam, building contractor, of No. 178 Des Voeux Road West, and Miss Lau King-chau, of No. 6 Larch Street; Mr. Chu Pak-yu, merchant, of No. 20 Connaught Road West, and Miss Chan Hang-yin, of No. 83 Hennessy Road.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—

Mr. James Liang, engineer, Chinese Central Government, residing at the Luk Kwok Hotel, and Miss Lam Lai-yau, of No. 343 Hennessy Road, first floor;

Mr. Paul Pong-zung Chang, merchant, of No. 20 Morrison Hill Road, and Miss Lucy Chen, of No. 61 Wongsheichong Road;

Mr. Bill Curreton, marine officer of the s.s. President Taft, and Miss Lam Wal-ching, of No. 24 Luen Fa Street.

MASS EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Special to H.K. Daily Press
CHUNGKING, Apr. 24 (Havas).—Statistics of the Ministry of Education reveal the Five-Year education programme deals with a mass of 140,000,000 illiterates, ranging from the ages of 15 to 45.

The mass education programme deals exclusively with them while illiterate children are taught in regular primary schools.

The statistics show that out of a total of 450,000,000, 360,000,000 are illiterates. From this number must be deducted 40,000,000 children below six, 45,000,000 between the ages of six to 12, 80,000,000 whose ages are above 45 and about 1,500,000 dumb, deaf, crippled and insane.

THE KING IN AIR RAID WARNING

FALSE ALARM AT DOVER

LONDON, April 11 (By Air Mail).—While the King was inspecting military units at Dover yesterday, a false air raid warning, which lasted three minutes, was sounded. The Queen was also in Kent at the time visiting the London Scottish, her own regiment.

WARNING GIVEN
The raid warning was given while the King was driving from Fone barracks to another with Field Marshal Lord Birdwood.

As they stepped from the car to the parade ground the commanding officer hurriedly told the King that a warning was in progress. Almost at once, however, the "all clear" was given.

When the warning was sounded fighter aircraft went up, troops in the barracks took cover and A. R. P. squads went on duty.

COSTABLE'S GATE

The King was received at Constable's Gate of Dover Castle by the Marquess of Willington, Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports. When his Majesty passed through the gate he was the first reigning king

like to mention especially the generous gift of \$5,000 from Mr. Lo Chok Lai in memory of his wife, a former student of our school.

NEWSETTES

Capt. J. W. Tinson, of Butterfield & Swire, left Hongkong yesterday.

Mr. R. P. Shaw, A.R.I.B.A., executive engineer, P.W.D., left the Colony yesterday.

Mr. C. B. Robertson, of the H.K. Civil Service, left the Colony yesterday on long leave.

Mr. S. S. Chellaram, proprietor of D. Chellaram, Hongkong, left the Colony yesterday for Shanghai.

Dr. Paul Monroe, who had been on a trip to Chungking, left the Colony yesterday on his return to San Francisco.

Mr. C. B. Robertson, of the Public Works Department, accompanied by Mrs. Robertson, left Hongkong yesterday.

St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship will hold a Charity Mah Jong Drive in the Church Hall on April 30 from 3 p.m.—8 p.m.

Mr. Li Ping-heng, Chinese member of the Executive Council of the International Labour Office, was on April 23 appointed by the Executive Yuan China's delegate to the 26th International Labour Conference at Geneva.

Mr. E. G. McNeary, of the American Banknote Company, has been appointed Far Eastern Manager, and Mr. George H. Lynott, Vice-President of the Company. Mr. Lynott left for Shanghai yesterday.

The marriage took place in Shanghai on April 20, at the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Mr. V. V. W. Fretwell, only son of the late Capt. W. Fretwell and Mrs. F. Fretwell, and Miss Phyllis Mary Langford, only daughter of Comdr. G. F. Langford, R.A.N., and Mrs. Langford, of Sydney, Australia. Dean Trivett officiated.

CHINESE RAID SIAOSHAN

KINHWAI, April 24 (Central).—A lightning raid was staged by the Chinese on Japanese forces at Kunliangkiao near Siaoshan on the south bank of the Chientang River, Chekiang, last week-end. A quantity of Japanese supplies was captured.

The Japanese at Changching, northwest of Wuhsien in north Chekiang, attacked and captured Linchengkiao and Sze-an, west of Changching, last Sunday.

Later, the Chinese launched a counter-attack, and recaptured Sze-an. They are reported to be counter-attacking Linchengkiao.

TIENTSIN FIRE

A belated message from Tientsin states that about 3,000 bales of cotton, valued at \$500,000, were destroyed as the result of a fire in the Japanese-owned Kung Dah Godown in the No. 1 Special District. The fire was not put out until four hours.

The Japanese attributed the fire to arson by anti-Japanese elements, says Central News.

BRITISH TROOPS ARE ACTIVE IN FOUR SECTORS IN NORWAY

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS MOVED TWO TIMES

Germans Machine-Gun And Bomb Villages And Roads

STOCKHOLM, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—According to reports here, British troops are in action in at least four sectors of Norway. At some points, north of Trondheim, the British and Germans are reported to be within 200 yards of each other.

The reports add that the Germans momentarily hold the command there as the Allies apparently lack anti-aircraft guns and fighter planes.

It is claimed that despite constant air raids no damage was done to the British defence positions although the Headquarters had to be moved twice.

It is declared that the rapidity with which the German aircraft discovered the location of the British Headquarters gives reason to suspect a well-developed spying system.

VILLAGES BOMBED—The correspondent of the Aftonbladet says that German planes on Tuesday attacked the Namsos, Grong and Steinkjaer areas from early dawn until late in the evening. Planes of every description bombed and machine-gunned every village throughout the region. No collection of houses, however small, was spared. Immediately one plane had dropped bombs and exhausted the machine-gun belts, another relieved it, and everything moving on roads and fields was attacked.

Official Intimation Of "Considerable Success"

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—Allied forces, closing in on Trondheim widely, are reported to be making good progress although there is nothing official yet to indicate whether or not the War Office had Trondheim or other areas in mind when it issued a communique on Monday night, stating that Allied troops were meeting with considerable successes in the face of great difficulties.

NARVIK NOT IN RUINS

STOCKHOLM, April 24 (Reuter)—Some Swedish seamen who have just arrived from Narvik denied reports that the town is a mass of ruins, in an interview published in the Aftonbladet.

They declare that "only two or three houses in Narvik had been damaged. British warships which bombarded the town went methodically to work, displaying every consideration for the civilian population."

The seamen added that as far as they knew, not one civilian was killed during the bombardment. The British, they declare have not actually been in the town; the nearest they have been was when a warship's boat approached the quay but was forced to turn back under German machinegun fire.

German Transports Attacked?

STOCKHOLM, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—Violent gunfire was heard off the Swedish coast today, according to a newspaper report. Ten warships were observed off Ursholm, travelling at high speed, firing as they went. A large number of aircraft were seen at the same time and fighter planes appeared and engaged the bombers. It is believed that a fleet of German transports was being attacked.

DOG FIGHT OVER BELGIUM

BRUSSELS, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—French and German aircraft were in action at a great height over Belgian territory today, according to a communique issued by the Ministry of Defence.

Lunch time crowds in Brussels had a shock when the city's anti-aircraft guns opened fire and Belgian fighters were heard taking off. The communique says the "necessary protests" will be made.

THE ANNUAL REUNION

WARM SPRINGS, GEORGIA, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister, arrived here yesterday and drove to President Roosevelt's cottage where the President greeted him with a warm handshake. Mr. Roosevelt later informed the press that the visit had no political significance. Mr. Mackenzie King and Mr. Roosevelt are old friends and Mr. Mackenzie King visits the President yearly.

THE ONE BLOCKADE THAT HAS COMPLETELY FAILED

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—In Budapest, the Magyar Nemzet, discussing the anti-British propaganda that Britain is degenerate and will go the way of Rome and Byzantium, seeks to prove that objectively Britain has always fought for her own aims and ideals with her own methods and means.

"A people may be good fighters without being professional militarists," says the paper. A long-distance runner may be an equally good athlete as a sprinter.

In the New York Herald-Tribune, Walter Lippman, the famous columnist, points out that the hold-up for Hitler in Scandinavia has caused a "change in the diplomatic weather" to Hitler's disadvantage in the European capitals.

"It is now clear that Hitler's stroke in Scandinavia is a partial but by no means complete success. He is not to have Norway without fighting for it. He has suffered irreparable losses in his Navy, a circumstance which is bound to impress the Italian and Japanese navies."

"The British Navy, which in theory could be given a knock-out blow at Scapa Flow because Norway is so near, has actually gone over to Norway, still nearer to the German air force, and is landing an army in Norway."

The Germans Claim —

BERLIN, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—The Official News Agency states that German reinforcements who arrived in the Bergen and Trondheim areas, claims the enemy, was defeated after a two hour battle north of Trondheim. The Narvik situation is essentially unchanged. Fresh supplies were brought to the German troops there, and the "British developed certain activity in the neighbourhood of Narvik. British cruisers and destroyers fired aimlessly into Narvik and the Germans had no contact with the enemy as the troops landed are a considerable distance from Narvik."

The Agency claims that enormous damage was done at Andalsnes and "considerable losses were inflicted on the British landing troops" during attacks which lasted from early morning throughout the day.

NAZI THREATS TO SWEDEN

BERLIN, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—The free Swedish press has again aroused the spleen of Goebbels, owing to its comments on Nazi war methods.

"The Svenska Dagbladet said they recently stated that Nazi airmen machine-gunned women and children as they fled across the fields near Trondheim. The Nazi controlled press and radio are now threatening Sweden with punishment unless she stops this atrocious propaganda."

"BOLD AND REALISTIC" BUDGET APPROVED Indication Of Britain's Financial Strength

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—An unflinching readiness to accept the proposed new burdens cheerfully since they are necessary to ensure victory. That is the general reaction of the Press towards the Budget. One paper, indeed—the Manchester Guardian—even says that the Budget is less drastic than the situation warrants.

The new Purchase Tax and increased postage arouse the misgivings of one or two papers. The Daily Telegraph declares that the Budget is certain to make a strong appeal to the public as an imaginative effort to grapple with a tremendous problem.

The Times says that the very grimness of the Budget figures is the best proof of how strong our financial position stands. It has granted proof that waste will be treated as a public enemy and that the British people are resolute enough to face the full sacrifices which the war will entail.

The News-Chronicle says that the Budget was on a heroic scale and will unquestionably impress the world with the magnitude of the financial burden we are shouldering.

The Daily Express says there should be no moaning or groaning, and the public will praise Sir John Simon for his realism and pay up with good heart.

The Daily Herald complains that the principal sufferers from the proposals will be the people with small incomes.

The Daily Mail states that the Budget is bad for the shopkeeper and bad for the trading community. It is made so by Sir John Simon, the paper says, and adds that it is dubious about the new purchase tax.

War Council Hold Session In Paris

PARIS, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—It is officially announced that the eighth meeting of the Supreme War Council was held in Paris on Apr. 22 and 23.

There was a general exchange of views on all political and military problems requiring the close attention of the Allied Governments at present in order to ensure due and timely fulfilment of the undertakings of the Allies and the common defence of their interests against any hostile action.

After having considered all questions relating to the general conduct of the war, the Council reached new decisions designed to guarantee effective co-operation in all circumstances of the Allies.

Will Not Be Surprised

CAREFUL WATCHING BY THE ALLIES

PARIS, April 24 (Reuter)—The impression in authoritative circles here is that a wide exchange of views at the latest meeting of the Supreme War Council will play a role of capital importance in the conduct of and development of the war.

Reference in a communique to the fulfilment of undertakings by the Allies and a common defence of their interests is interpreted here as clear evidence that Britain and France are vigilantly watching their interest in the Mediterranean, are ready to face any adverse action and will on no account be taken by surprise.

Importance is attached in the same circles to the presence of a Norwegian representative at the Council.

SUPREME WAR COUNCIL

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—It is officially announced that a meeting of the Supreme War Council was held in Paris on Monday and Tuesday at which Britain, France, Poland and Norway were represented. The meeting "reached new decisions designed to guarantee effective co-operation in all circumstances, of the Allies."

MEANINGLESS NAZI BOAST

Germany boasts that she will wage unrestricted sea warfare against all British ships. The world may well ask what Germany has been doing since September last, but waging unrestricted warfare where it suited her to do so, points out the New York Times.

Assuming as the Germans do, that Mr. Winston Churchill also sank the Athenia, did Mr. Churchill also sink more than 150 neutral vessels which have gone to the bottom during the war?

At the beginning of February 205 Swedish seamen and 347 Norwegians had lost their lives owing to German mines and torpedoes. Would all these have drowned if Germany had, given them a chance to escape as the rules of submarine warfare prescribed?

If this is the sort of restricted warfare Germany is waging at sea, her latest threat to Britain is meaningless.



Prof. Filoff, Prime Minister in Bulgaria.

CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

PARIS, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—A Communique says there was fairly brisk activity of artillery on both sides between the Moselle and the Blies. Enemy patrols have been repulsed west of the Vosges. There was an exchange of rifle fire along the banks of the Rhine.

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—The headquarters of the British Air Force in France announces that yesterday British and German fighter patrols fought an indecisive action in the neighbourhood of Verdun. One Messerschmitt 110 is believed to have been shot down and one British aircraft was set on fire by enemy action. The pilot escaped by parachute.

PARIS, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—There has been violent artillery fire on the Western Front. In the River Nied sector German artillery shelled the communications behind the Allied lines and brought the French guns into action for several hours. East of the Moselle the Germans attempted to raid a French outpost under cover of a barrage but French artillery repulsed them before they got anywhere near the outpost.

CANBERRA, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—Drastic regulations have been issued enabling the Government to supervise newspapers and literature. Permits must henceforth be obtained before publications are allowed to circulate. The regulations embody a "dragnet" clause under which censorship of the severest character may be imposed.

LONDON, April 24 (Reuter)—The Saar district, the Rhineland and the western part of the Province of Baden were declared banned districts in an announcement on the German wireless last night. No body will be allowed to enter these districts without special military permission which will be granted only in the most urgent cases.

FREE CHINA'S FARM PROGRAMME

A new four-year agricultural programme aiming at producing more and better farm products in China is being launched by the newly-created Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, according to Minister Chen Chih-lang.

Working in close coordination with the new ministry will be a special commission on farm irrigation and hydraulic works. It is generally believed that Mr. Kung Hsiang-yung, veteran river conservancy worker and government official, will head this organization, which will be created shortly by the government.

FIRST TASKS

One of the first tasks of the new ministry will be the establishment of large experimental animal husbandry grounds in both north-west and southwest China. Special emphasis will be laid on raising oxen, the most widely used animal in farming in China. Experts have been invited to spread veterinary knowledge in the rural communities.

Meanwhile, in Yunnan Province, reforestation is being vigorously pushed. Wood oil and varnish trees will receive special attention in the province. In the tropical district which includes the southwestern part of Yunnan, camphor, cinchona and pomelo trees have been suggested by experts as ideal plants to grow. This tropical district covers 7,850,000 acres of land. The largest is the semi-tropical district, covering 1,570,000 acres. It is good for planting varnish, wood oil, tea, and pine trees, in addition to growing maize and hemp. Development of the other two forest districts lying in the eastern and northwestern parts of Yunnan has also big possibilities, according to authorities.

FIERCE BATTLE RAGING IN CENTRAL NORWAY

Allied Forces Pushing Towards Hamar

STOCKHOLM, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—It is reported that a fierce battle is raging in Central Norway for possession of the gateway to Oslo where the Gudbrandsdal Valley enters the southern plain near Lillehammer.

British and Norwegian troops, attacking in the direction of Hamar, have relished Moelv despite strong German resistance.

Messages received here are to the effect that the Norwegians are being equipped with modern arms from the Allied depots. Further east the German forces, which had been thrusting from Elverum, in the north, towards Rena, are now reported to be retreating.

BALTIC STATES CALM—The Aftonbladet's correspondent in Kaunas says that comprehensive military preparations are in full swing in Germany's Baltic coast. Masses of troops and munitions are arriving in the ports in the Memel region and East Prussia from other parts of Germany.

Civilians are barred from these ports which are reported to be very strongly guarded. The correspondent adds that the Baltic States remain calm, being convinced that no action is intended against them.

FOUR PLANES DOWN—The correspondent says that in the course of Tuesday the Germans lost four aircraft in the same region, three of which fell to the anti-aircraft fire from a British warship, while the fourth made a forced landing in the hills and was burned by the crew who were arrested by the Norwegians.

GERMAN AIRMAN KILLED

BERLIN, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—The well-known long-distance flyer, Captain Alfred Henke, who made non-stop flights from Berlin to New York and from New York to Berlin in 1934, and a record flight to Tokyo was killed on a training flight.

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns that General Sikorski is expected shortly in London on an unofficial visit. It is understood that General Sikorski will meet high ranking officers of the R.A.F. to discuss means of furthering co-operation between the British and Polish air forces.

The spread of meningitis in North Kwangtung, which has exacted a heavy toll of lives during the past six weeks continues unabated despite energetic efforts of the Provincial Government to fight this disease. Chinguan on the North River about 50 miles north of Canton suffers most from this epidemic (International).

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CHICAGO CHINESE & WAR RELIEF FUND

SHUUKWAN, April 24 (Central)—The Overseas Chinese War Aid Association in Chicago has remitted \$100,000 to General Li Han-yun, Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, and concurrently Chairman of the Kwangtung Relief Commission, for the relief of war refugees in the province.

The Association has made an appeal to Chinese at home and abroad to contribute more money for refugee relief purposes.

SUPPLY TRAIN BLOWN UP

SOMEWHERE IN WEST SUYUAN, April 24 (Central)—A Japanese supply train going from Kweisui to Paotow on the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway a few days ago was blown up after striking a Chinese mine near Saratol, 27-and-a-half miles east of Paotow. Many Japanese guards were killed and wounded, while the supplies were all damaged.

WAR BUDGET

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Sir John Simon thanked the French Government for agreeing to waive their treaty rights and permit the increase to apply to French and other imported spirits. The increased duty on spirits, which was to take effect from tomorrow, would yield £7,000,000 for a full year and £6,500,000 for this year.

SEVERE INCREASE

The tobacco duty would be increased from tomorrow by 4s. per pound or 3d. an ounce with corresponding increases in other duties such as on cigars.

This increase following the two increases last year was severe but in the existing financial circumstances there was no escape from this addition.

The increased yield from the extra tobacco duty, he estimated at £23,000,000 for a full year and £21,000,000 for this year.

With regard to matches it was proposed to double the excise duties and make corresponding additions to customs duties.

A box of fifty matches now costing a penny would cost 1d. These proposals, which would take effect from April 29, would produce this year rather more than £3,500,000 and in a full year £4,000,000.

There would be countervailing increases in duties on mechanical lighters.

POSTAL RATES

Regarding the post office charges the general scheme was to increase certain initial postal charges but to leave all charges for excess weight untouched.

The initial rates for inland Post would be increased as follows:

For letters to two ounces from 1d to 2d.

For postcards from 1d to 2d.

For printed papers by 1d. per packet.

For newspapers by 1d.

There would be similar increases for letters and postcards in the Imperial Post except that the present rates would be retained for correspondence with the forces overseas.

The rates for Foreign Post will increase as follows:

For letters from 2d. to 3d.

For postcards from 1d. to 2d.

Neither in the Imperial nor Foreign Post were any increases proposed for other classes of mail in view of the importance of those services to the export trade.

AIR MAIL UNAFFECTED

There would be no increased charges in air mail.

It was also proposed to make some changes in poundage charges on postal orders.

All these postal changes would produce this year £10,400,000 and in a full year would produce £11,400,000.

In inland telephone service there would be a general increase of 15 per cent. on all charges to subscribers with exchange facilities and to users of telephones with coin boxes.

This was to take effect from May 1 in the case of trunk calls and all calls from public call offices and from July 1 in the case of rentals and miscellaneous charges.

For private telephone services there would be an increase of 25 per cent to take effect from July 1.

Inland telephone charges were estimated to produce this year just over £2,000,000 and in a full year £2,250,000.

THE TELEGRAPH SERVICES

In the inland telegraph service there would be a fixed additional charge of 3d. on each ordinary priority or greetings telegram on each night telegraph letters and on each page of press telegrams.

There would also be an increase of 25 per cent for private telegraph services to operate from July 1.

These increases in inland telegraph services were estimated to yield £130,000 this year and £240,000 in a full year.

No increases were proposed in charges for overseas telegraph and telephone services which were necessarily limited in war time.

All increases in post office charges, taken together, were estimated to yield £12,500,000 this year and £14,500,000 in a full year.

"A NOVEL PROPOSAL"

Sir John Simon then referred to "a novel proposal" to provide additional revenue.

He proposed to call it a Purchase Tax.

"Sales taxes of different kinds are in operation in a large number of countries and in most of the Dominions. I think, but the methods and machinery differ considerably.

"The one I am about to propose is a purchase tax in a form of percentage on the price which

Beer Tax Is Approved

BUT LEAVE POSTAL CHARGES ALONE!

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—Mr. C. R. Attlee, Leader of the Labour Opposition, speaking on the Budget in the House of Commons, said that he approved of the taxes on beer, spirits, tobacco, and matches but thought that the Postal Tax will not bring in a great deal of money, and would irritate a vast number of people. He was glad Sir John Simon favoured voluntary against compulsory saving, and declared that nothing stood in the way of national saving so much as a means test.

CLEAR EXPOSITION

Sir Archibald Sinclair, Leader of the Liberal Opposition, paid a tribute to Sir John's clear exposition of the Budget problems and said that he could not complain that the proposals were too drastic. He declared Germany this year was spending £2,300,000,000 on the war and the French people was making a vastly greater effort than Sir John had asked of us today.

He concluded that the figures that the Chancellor had given the House were clear and eloquent proof of the power and greatness of our resources, and the House's determined and humorous reception of the proposals testified to the high spirit and firm purpose of a united Britain, resolved on victory.

will be paid at the stage when the wholesaler is selling to the retailer. One great advantage in applying the tax at this point is that it makes it easy to secure that there shall be no purchase tax imposed in respect of the goods for export."

INEVITABLE STEP

Concluding, Sir John emphasized that the total of £1,234,000,000 which he was seeking to set from revenue this year was the largest figure ever drawn from taxation in 12 months in the history of British finance, and yet it was inevitable, when the total expenditure mounted at the pace set by modern warfare, that taxes should entirely keep in step with it.

We were bound this year, according to his calculations, to contemplate an expenditure of at least £850,000,000 more than the preceding year.

He was drawing £185,000,000 more from taxation.

SAVING MUST INCREASE

What was the conclusion?

The saving and lending savings to the State must be proportionately increased.

"It is an essential part of our war purpose that this should be achieved. Provided that the persistence of our people in supporting the present loans and the resolution of our people in paying the Government taxes is maintained, we have nothing to fear. Our financial front will hold as firmly as any other front in the fight for victory." (Cheers)

STRENUOUS DRIVE

"There is a strenuous drive under the President of the Board of Trade," continued Sir John, "to increase our exports."

"At the same time it is necessary to discourage unnecessary spending at home."

"The purchase tax won't touch the raw material in industry."

"Another exception is that there will be no purchase tax on food including drink or foodstuffs whether for human or animal consumption."

"There will also be no purchase tax in articles already subject to heavy duty as tobacco or petrol or in respect of services such as fuel gas, electricity or water."

"Subsequent legislation will provide for the date and imposition of the tax and the rate at which it will be applied to be determined by a resolution made in the House of Commons."

EXTRA YIELD

The yield of extra taxation in the current year, he said, would total £101,000,000.

To that must be added £1,113,000,000 as revenue from taxation on last year's basis.

It was thus estimated that the total contribution from revenue was £1,234,000,000.

If preliminary arrangements were carried through, he hoped to get something from the purchase tax before the end of the year.

The central question of the Budget, more important than taxes was how the remaining amount of £1,433,000,000 was to be provided.

He was opposed to a suggestion put forward for compulsory deduction from incomes and he ad-

WHOLESALE PRICES IN THE COLONY

The Superintendent of Imports and Exports releases for publication the following index numbers of wholesale prices in the Colony of Hongkong during the completed years of 1938 and 1939, and the first quarters of 1939 and 1940.

The index has been constructed from declarations furnished to the Statistical Office by merchants in the Colony.

The index number for the first quarter of 1940 shows a general average increase of 29.9 per cent. as compared with the corresponding period of 1939. The foodstuffs group increased by 23.0 per cent., textiles group by 32.8 per cent., metals and minerals group by 33.5 per cent., and the miscellaneous group by 30.4 per cent. Details are given below:—

| | 1938 | 1939 | 1939 | 1940 |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Foodstuffs | 131.6 | 134.9 | 128.6 | 158.2 |
| Textiles | 116.1 | 106.2 | 98.7 | 131.1 |
| Metals and Minerals | 147.3 | 145.0 | 143.4 | 191.4 |
| Miscellaneous Articles | 127.3 | 125.9 | 120.9 | 157.7 |
| Average | 130.6 | 128.0 | 122.9 | 159.6 |

FOODSTUFFS

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|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Beans | 135.6 | 119.1 | 121.5 | 154.8 |
| Beef | 178.2 | 238.0 | 235.2 | 287.0 |
| Eggs | 103.3 | 150.7 | 117.3 | 174.7 |
| Flour (Wheat) | 118.1 | 90.7 | 90.8 | 121.5 |
| Salt Fish | 100.2 | 121.1 | 100.0 | 135.8 |
| Fruits, Fresh | 303.2 | 272.5 | 273.8 | 243.9 |
| Lard | 105.6 | 85.4 | 83.6 | 127.9 |
| Milk (Condensed) | 130.3 | 137.7 | 132.5 | 163.5 |
| Mutton | 187.5 | 172.7 | 157.6 | 145.5 |
| Onions | 134.3 | 100.2 | 117.8 | 159.9 |
| Peanut Oil | 111.6 | 123.3 | 105.0 | 183.5 |
| Pork | 124.4 | 155.6 | 145.0 | 167.5 |
| Potatoes | 134.7 | 124.0 | 139.3 | 127.3 |
| Poultry | 118.1 | 145.8 | 135.9 | 157.0 |
| Rice (Broken) | 125.8 | 113.9 | 111.5 | 157.6 |
| Rice (White) | 120.9 | 109.0 | 102.4 | 137.8 |
| Sugar (Raw) | 86.0 | 108.2 | 86.5 | 148.3 |
| Vegetables (Dried etc.) | 59.5 | 50.8 | 63.7 | 87.3 |
| Vermicelli | 123.9 | 146.2 | 123.8 | 145.9 |

TEXTILES

| | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Cotton Yarn | 119.5 | 101.2 | 102.8 | 125.0 |
| Cotton (Dyed Plain) | 95.3 | 82.6 | 75.4 | 89.9 |
| Italians (Dyed Figured, Plain) | 90.8 | 64.1 | 59.4 | 60.2 |
| Shirtings (White 40/43 yards) | 69.2 | 54.2 | 54.1 | 57.9 |
| Hemp (Manila) | 102.2 | 105.2 | 95.1 | 139.7 |
| Gunny Bags | 184.5 | 235.8 | 202.2 | 437.8 |
| Hessian Cloth | 53.8 | 81.4 | 49.5 | 87.9 |
| Silk Piece Goods | 72.7 | 85.9 | 83.8 | 68.5 |
| Silk Yarn (Artificial) | 32.7 | 26.0 | 24.5 | 35.7 |
| Blankets (Wool and Union) | 149.3 | 124.3 | 118.5 | 145.5 |
| Flannels | 317.6 | 272.3 | 282.4 | 240.1 |
| Suitings and Tweeds (Woolen) | 105.8 | 81.9 | 78.2 | 86.4 |

METALS AND MINERALS

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|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Brass Sheets | 137.5 | 149.8 | 151.9 | 205.3 |
| Yellow Metal Sheathing | 130.1 | 130.3 | 130.7 | 175.6 |
| Coal | 135.4 | 132.4 | 125.0 | 211.8 |
| Iron and Steel Bars | 227.5 | 197.0 | 187.2 | 247.0 |
| Iron and Steel Nails | 162.2 | 158.4 | 156.2 | 241.2 |
| Iron and Steel Plates | 283.8 | 234.4 | 239.1 | 300.0 |
| Lead (Pig) | 144.6 | 150.0 | 139.4 | 202.8 |
| Kerosene | 49.6 | 35.7 | 36.5 | 54.8 |
| Oil Fuel | 152.9 | 169.7 | 158.6 | 226.0 |
| Lubricating Oil | 95.3 | 95.6 | 105.6 | 96.4 |
| Petrol | 32.7 | 37.7 | 34.7 | 70.7 |
| Tin | 236.0 | 249.0 | 255.8 | 257.3 |

MISCELLANEOUS

| | | | | |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Cement | 101.4 | 97.9 | 97.0 | 117.6 |
| Charcoal | 36.6 | 42.1 | 40.0 | 48.7 |
| Feather (Duck) | 142.4 | 136.1 | 127.9 | 159.2 |
| Firewood | 117.8 | 139.6 | 146.2 | 181.9 |
| Hardwoods | 75.9 | 73.1 | 74.9 | 78.8 |
| Hides (Cow) | 277.5 | 251.1 | 232.3 | 292.1 |
| Hides (Buffalo) | 229.9 | 253.4 | 242.8 | 337.3 |
| Leather (Sole) | 147.9 | 135.7 | 134.5 | 142.8 |
| Paper (Chinese) | 74.5 | 80.9 | 85.1 | 92.9 |
| Rattans | 140.9 | 133.8 | 128.2 | 148.7 |
| Saltpetre | 117.5 | 122.9 | 112.7 | 201.6 |
| Softwoods | 136.7 | 136.6 | 130.5 | 162.9 |
| Soda Ash | 71.9 | 81.8 | 74.3 | 104.7 |
| Sulphuric Acid | 163.0 | 125.2 | 117.8 | 162.9 |
| Sulphate of Ammonia | 75.3 | 78.3 | 69.5 | 133.3 |

vised the House to rely on the result that could be obtained by stimulating to the utmost the response to their existing methods of borrowing.

That amount would and must be found and they must foster and improve conditions in which the flow of voluntary contributions to the Government might be stimulated and inflation avoided.

SECURING PRICES

Whatever measures would help to restrict the misuse of spending power and especially the misuse of increasing spending power were of vital importance.

It had been their policy to secure the price of essential foodstuffs in rationed quantities even though this involved considerable cost to the Exchequer.

They were now spending £80,000,000 a year to cheapen prices in certain essential foodstuffs.

Control has been taken over of a variety of industries, and the control of foreign exchange.

Dealing with the excess profits tax, Sir John said that the profits lose a great deal of their value if they were distributed freely as dividends.

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"They will be very useful if they are available to assist industries and to repair industry in the difficult period which will follow at the end of the war."

But they are of less value if used for increased distribution into the hands of shareholders who might be tempted to devote a good deal to them for the purpose of consumption.

"I propose, accordingly, to provide for the limitation of dividends by public companies. The legislation propose that a public

Budget Well Received

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—The Budget on the whole was well received by members of all Parties, says Reuter's Lobby correspondent. The Labour opposition was not disposed to be very critical of the proposals as a number of them follow the lines they had been advocating persistently.

As regards other parties, chief criticisms are likely to come on the new Purchase Tax but more in regard to method rather than principle.

Criticism is also expected on the proposal to restrict dividends which it is feared, may penalise companies which have been using profits to promote business instead of paying large dividends.

Increased postal charges were also criticised but on the whole members realise very fully the need for sacrifices and are confident the country will respond to the Chancellor's appeal.

company should not distribute a greater dividend on ordinary shares than was distributed on any of its three pre-war years."

The minimum rate on dividends would be allowed in the case of companies which in the recent past have not been able to pay dividends.

"In order to make the plan water-tight he proposed to prohibit the issue of bonus shares during the war, save in cases where entirely exceptional grounds existed such as that of two companies amalgamating."

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| Buyers | Sellers | Sales | Nominal | Buyer | Sellers | Sales | Nominal |
| Bank | | | | | | | |
| \$1490 | | \$1805 | H.K. Bank | | | \$1500 | 1805 |
| | | 293 | Do. (Col. Reg.) | | | | 293 |
| | | 293 | Do. (Lon. Reg.) | | | | 293 |
| | | 293 | Chartered Bank | | | | 293 |
| | | 293 | Merchants Rts. "A" | | | | 293 |
| | | 293 | Merchants Rts. "C" | | | | 293 |
| \$73 | | | Bank of East Asia | \$74 | | | 60 ch. |
| | | | N. C. & S. Bank | | | | |
| Insurance | | | | | | | |
| | | \$530 | Canton Insurance | | | \$530 | \$530 |
| | | \$509 | Union Insurance | | | \$500 | |
| | | 85 cts. | Underwriters | | | | 75 cts. |
| | | \$175 | H.K. Fire | \$172 | | | |
| Shipping | | | | | | | |
| \$120 | | | Douglas | | | | \$120 |
| | | \$11 | Steamboats | \$11 | | | \$100 |
| | | \$100 | Indo-China | | | | \$120 |
| | | \$50 | Indo-China (Del.) | | | | 79/6 |
| | | 73/4 | Rhels | | | X.D. | \$6.90 |
| | | \$6.90 | Waterco | | | | |
| Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc. | | | | | | | |
| | | \$100 | H.K. & K. Wharves | | | | \$99 |
| \$4.36 | | | Providence | \$4.35 | | | |
| | | | Providence (new) | | | \$22 | \$19 |
| \$19.40 | | | H.K. Docks C.R.T.S. | | | | \$65 |
| \$6.80 | | | H.K. Docks N. Rts. | \$6.70 | | \$6.80 | |
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| | | \$69 | Shanghai Docks & S. | | | | |
| Mining | | | | | | | |
| | | 19/4 | Kallans | | | | 18/8 |
| | | \$9.55 | Raube | \$9.75 | | | \$4 |
| | | | Venezuela Gold Fide | | | | |
| | | 6 cts. | Hong Kong Mines | | | | |
| Lands, Hotels and Buildings | | | | | | | |
| \$4 | \$4 | | H.K. Hotels | | | | |
| \$36 | \$37 | \$36 | H.K. Land | \$36 | | | \$100 |
| | | \$100 | Do. 4% Debenture | | | | \$4 |
| | | \$15.80 | Shanghai Lands | | | | \$7.5 |
| | | \$4.40 | H.K. Realms | | | | |
| | | \$8 | Humphreys | | | | |
| | | \$103 | Chinese Kalls | | | | |
| Cotton Mills | | | | | | | |
| | | \$72 | Ewo. (S.) | | | | \$71 |
| | | \$245 | S'hai Cottons (S.) | | | | \$37 |
| | | | Zoong Sing (S.) | | | | |
| | | | Wing On Textiles (S.) | \$120 | | | |
| Public Utilities | | | | | | | |
| \$17 | \$17.90 | | Tramways | \$17 | \$18 | | |
| | | \$8 | Park Trans (old) | | | | \$2 |
| | | \$4 | Park Trans (new) | | | | \$4 |
| | | \$28 | Star Ferry | | \$67 | | |
| | | \$66 | Ymat Fairs | \$65 | | | |
| | | | Do. | | | | |
| | | \$8.05 | China Lights (O) | | \$8.10 | \$8.05 | |
| | | \$6.20 | China Lights (New) | \$4.90 | | | |
| | | | China Lights Rts. | | | | |
| | | \$65 | H.K. Electric | \$65 | \$65 | | |
| | | \$23 | Macao Electric | | | | |
| | | \$14 | Sandakan Lights | | | | |
| | | \$29 | Telephones (old) | \$29.00 | | \$29 | |
| | | \$10.40 | Telephones (new) | \$10.35 | | | 21 |
| Tractions | | | | | | | |
| Tractions (pref.) | | | | | | | |
| Industrials | | | | | | | |
| | | \$14.90 | Cald. Macg. (Ord.) E. | | | | |
| | | \$12 | Cald. Macg. (Pref.) E. | | | | |
| | | \$1 | Canton Low | | | | \$ |
| \$17 | | | Canton | | | \$17 | \$ |
| | | \$6.55 | Secor | | | \$6.55 | |
| Miscellaneous | | | | | | | |
| \$21.60 | | | Dairy Farm | \$21.60 | | | |
| | | | Dairy Farm | | | | |
| \$7 | | | Ch. E. Investments | \$6.80 | | | |
| | | \$11 | Constructions (old) | | | | \$1 |
| | | \$1 | Constructions (new) | | | | |
| \$7.90 | | \$8 | Lane Cravidos | | | | |
| | | | Nanyang Tobacco | \$34 | | | |
| | | \$2 | Sincera | \$2.10 | | | |
| \$9.35 | | | Watsons | \$9.35 | | | |
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| | | \$39 | H.K. Wing On | \$39 | | | |
| | | | Shing Wing On | \$14 | | | |
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| \$1 | | | Sales to a Shanghai | | | | |

Although the Macao Electric Lighting Co., Ltd., recorded a net profit of \$323,861.80 for 1939, the chairman, Mr. F. J. Gellion, indicated at the Company's 29th annual general meeting yesterday that they will not be able to operate this year under such favourable exchange and supply contracts, and that there is no doubt that the operating costs will be increased due to the European situation which has brought about an increase in the costs of all supplies needed for their working purposes. It was decided to pay a dividend of \$1.50 per share and a bonus of 50 cts. per share.

The chairman was supported by Messrs. N. G. Beale, Fuk Tot Iam, and H. N. da Silva (directors) while Mr. G. G. N. Tinson represented the secretaries, Messrs. Johnson Stokes and Masters.

At an extra ordinary general meeting held immediately after the general meeting it was proposed that the capital of the Company be increased to \$2,000,000 by the creation of 110,000 additional shares of \$10' each, ranking for dividends and in all other respects *pari passu* with the existing shares in the Company. The resolution was duly carried.

The following is the report of the Directors of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., to be presented at the annual meeting to be held on Friday, May 3, at 11 a.m.

MARINE AND FIRE
Marine: The 1938 account has been closed and the sum of £50,000 transferred to profit and loss "account."
The nett premiums for the year 1939 amounted to £1,099,237.26

In proposing the resolution, the chairman said that the original capital of the Company, formed in 1910, was \$300,000 and, in 1927, this was increased to \$900,000 by the creation of two shares to every one issued. It is now proposed to increase the capital to \$2,000,000 by creating 110,000 shares at 18s each.

When the original Company was formed in 1910, the Generating Plant totalled 550 K.W. which has been increased from time to time and since 1935 has totalled 5200 K.W. All of these plant extensions have been paid for out of revenue and without calling for any increase of capital and it is considered that the increased capital is more commensurate with the value of the Company's undertaking.

It is proposed in due course to offer some of the increased capital on favourable terms to shareholders but further information on this point will be given when the terms of issue have been decided.

In proposing the adoption of the report and accounts for the past year, Mr. Gellion said, in part,

After providing the sum of \$131,737.09 for depreciation, the net profit for the year totals \$322,861.80 which, together with the sum of \$135,381.72 brought forward from the year 1938, makes the total amount available for appropriation \$459,243.52.

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The statement of account, of the British War Organisation Fund for the month of March, shows a balance on the right side of \$63-122 78.

Donations received during the month totalled \$19,989.38 which together with a refund of rates for the former offices, of \$425 and a credit balance of \$85,419.99 brings the grand total to \$5,334.35.

A remittance of £1000 was made to St. Dunstan's and at 1/2 13/10 this comes to \$16,205.93. Purchases of wool and sewing materials came up to \$589.80 and packing, transport and insurance totalled \$468.21 while office expenses amounted to \$447.75.

| Volume Of Business Transacted on Wednesday, April 24, 1940. | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------|---------|
| H.K. Docks C. Rts. ... | 800 | \$21.90 |
| H.K. Docks X. Rts. | 1,200 | 19.65 |
| H.K. Docks Rts. | 34 | 6.70 |
| H.K. Electrics | 100 | 65.50 |
| H.K. Tramways | 1,000 | 17.60 |
| Ropes | * 500 | 5.50 |
| Underwriters | 3,000 | 0.70 |

6,434
*Sale on Tuesday, the 23rd. inst.
The total value is \$65,972.80.

| | |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| Marks & Spencer "A" ord. | 47/6 |
| Rolls Royce | 91/3 |
| Leyland Motors | 72/6 |
| Tate & Lyle | 54/6 |
| Turner & Newall | 6/49 |
| United Steel | 23/44 |
| Smethwick Dug Forg. | 13/9 |
| Armstrong Stevens, ord. | 6/3 |
| Pressed Steel, com. | 17 |
| Vickers, ord. | 17/104 |
| Woolworths | 61 |
| Anglo-Dutch | 21/44 |
| Rub. Plant. Invest. Trust .. | 29/9 |
| Burma Corporation | 9/3 |
| Commonwealth Mining .. | |
| Marsman Investments | 14 |
| Randfontein Estates | 38/0 |

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The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

| | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| War Loan, 34% (Red after 1952) | 99-15 1/8 |
| Canton-K'loon Rly. 5% Chinese 41% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue) | 15 |
| Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47 | 56 |
| Chin. 41% Anglo-French Loan, 1908 | 52 |
| Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.) | 50 |
| Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1912 | 25 1/2 |
| Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers) | 36 |
| Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan | 11 |
| Honan Rly. 5% | 60 |
| Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 | 15 |
| Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue) | 19 |
| Lung Ting & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913 | 17 |
| S'hai-N'K'ing Rly. 5% | 13 |
| Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.) | 21 |
| Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.) | 13 |
| Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan) | 13 |
| Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) | 13 |
| Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907 | 48 |
| Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924 | 16 |
| Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924 | 52 1/2 |
| Chartered Bank | 7 |
| H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.) | 9-3/16 |
| H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.) | 93 |
| Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer) | 93 |
| | 19/4 |

There were no noticeable features in the market during the short session.

BUYERS
H.K. Banks, \$1495.
Docks Rts, \$8.60.
H.K. Hotels, \$41.
Lane Crawford, \$7.90.

E.K. Banks, \$1495.
Docks Rts, \$6.60.
H.K. Hotels, \$44.
Lane Crawfords, \$7.90.
Trams, \$174.
Dalry Farms, \$21.60.
Lane Crawfords, \$7.90.
Wm Powell \$1.
Entertainments, \$7.
SELLERS
Docks Cum Rts \$22.
H.K. Hotels, \$44.
Lands, \$374.
Trams, \$17.90.
SALES
Wharves, \$100.
Docks Cum Rts, \$21.90.
Docks X. Rts., \$19.65.
Electrics, \$654.
Watsons, \$9.35.
Docks Rts., \$8.70.

| | |
|------------------------------------------|--------|
| Chosen Corporation | 6/5 |
| Pekin Syndicate | 2 |
| Shai Elec. Constr. Co. | 15 |
| Shai Waterworks "A" | 15 |
| Union Insurance | 29/ |
| Gua Kalumpung Rubber | 18/3 |
| Allied Ironfounders | 14 |
| Asoo, & Elec. Industries | 40/11 |
| Austin Motors, ord. | 15/6 |
| Cable & Wireless, New Form, ord. | 57/ |
| B.-A. Tob. (bearer) | 104/44 |
| Mexican Eagle | 12/ |
| Cammell Laird, ord. | 7/44 |
| Mexican Eagle | 6/14 |
| Courtauld | 37/6 |
| Distillers | 57/ |
| Dunlop Rubber | 36 |
| Gen. Electric (England) | 80/11 |
| Guinness (A) Son & Co. | 77/9 |
| Hawker Siddeley Airc. | 12/9 |
| Bristol Aeroplane | 14 |
| Imperial Chemical Ind. | 31/14 |
| Imperial Tobacco | 115 |

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BANKS

MONEY AND
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APRIL 24, 1940.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| On London:— | |
| Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 13/16 | |
| Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 13/16 | |
| Credits 4 months' sight 1/2 13/16 | |
| On Shanghai:— | |
| On demand 350 | |
| On Singapore:— | |
| On demand 53 1/2 | |
| On Japan:— | |
| On demand 91 1/2 | |
| On India:— | |
| Telegraphic Transfer 82 1/4 | |
| and demand 82 1/4 | |
| On New York:— | |
| Bank Bills, on demand 21 1/2 | |
| Credits, 60 days' sight 23 3/8 | |
| On Batavia:— | |
| On demand 40 | |
| On Paris:— | |
| Bank Bills, on demand 1085 | |
| Credits 4 months' sight 1140 | |
| On Saigon:— | |
| On demand 108 1/4 | |
| On Manila:— | |
| On demand 43 | |
| On Bangkok:— | |
| On demand 150 | |
| On Sterling Notes:— | |
| Bank Buying Rate 1/4 | |
| Bar Silver per oz 30 15/16 | |

Market Report

Silver prices dropped yesterday to the extent of 5/16 for Ready and 1/4 for Forward, the quotations being 20 15/16 and 20 7/8 respectively. Silver advices reported India and speculators as having resold. The market closed steady with buyers at the quoted rate. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2, New York/London was quoted at 352 1/8.

Market
Quiet.

Sterling
A small business was done at 1/2, 29/32 for near and May. The market closed with sellers at 1/2, 29/32 April and 1/2, 27/8 May/October, buyers at 1/2, 25/16 Cash and 1/2, 29/32 August.

U.S. Dollars
A small business was done at 21 13/16 for near delivery. The market closed with sellers at 21 3/4 April, 21 11/16 May and 21 9/16 July, buyers probably at 21 3/4 May and probably 21 5/8 July.

Shanghai Dollars
Sellers at 361 1/2.

Shanghai Market
Sterling sellers at 4 1/8 for Spot and U.S. Dollars at 6 1/32 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange
Shanghai, Apr. 24 (Reuters).

Official T.T. Rates

| | Opening | Closing |
|----------|---------|---------|
| London | 0/4 | 0/4 |
| New York | 5-3/4 | 5-3/4 |
| Japan | 23-1/2 | 23-1/2 |
| India | 23-1/8 | 23-1/8 |
| Paris | 2/4 | 2/4 |
| Hongkong | 26-3/4 | 26-3/4 |

Sellers

| | Opening | Closing |
|------|-----------|-----------|
| Spot | 0/4-1/8 | 0/4-1/8 |
| Apr. | 0/4-3/32 | 0/4-7/64 |
| May | 0/3-59/64 | 0/3-15/16 |

U.S. Dollars

| | Spot | Apr. | May |
|------|----------|----------|----------|
| Spot | \$8-1/32 | \$6-1/32 | \$6-1/32 |
| Apr. | 6 | 6-1/32 | 6-1/32 |
| May | 5-23/32 | 5-3/4 | 5-3/4 |

Market:—Quiet.

Merchant Rates
Sterling, 0/4-3/32.
U.S. Dollars, \$6.

Silver Duty Rate
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 10 1/2 per cent.

New York Exchange
New York, Apr. 23 (Reuters).
T.T. on London (Opening Rate), 353-1/2.

Calcutta Exchange
Calcutta, Apr. 23 (Reuters).
T.T. on Japan, 69-1/2.

India Rupee Paper
Bombay, Apr. 23 (Reuters).
Government 3 1/2 Rupee, 94-06-0 nominal.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE
London, Apr. 23 (Reuters).

TIN
buyers sellers
Standard, Cash 253-1/2 253-3/4
Standard, 3 months 249 249-1/4
Standard, Settlement Price 253-1/2
Straits 273-3/4 to 278-3/4

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(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

| SINGAPORE RUBBER | | | | |
|------------------|----------|----------|--------|---------|
| | Previous | April 23 | Change | |
| | Closing | Buyers | Buyers | |
| S.P.O.T. | 35-7/8 | 35-5/8 | 35-1/2 | off 3/8 |
| JULY-SEPT. | 34-1/2 | 34-1/2 | 34-3/8 | off 1/8 |
| OCT.-DEC. | 33-5/8 | 33-3/8 | 33-5/8 | unch. |

The market was quiet.

| LONDON RUBBER | | | | |
|---------------|----------|--------|---------|--------|
| | Previous | close | Today's | Change |
| | buyers | buyers | buyers | |
| S.P.O.T. | 10-15/16 | 11 | up 1/16 | |
| MAY | 10-15/16 | 11 | up 1/16 | |
| JULY-SEPT. | 11 | 11 | unch. | |
| OCT.-DEC. | 11 | 11 | unch. | |

The market was quiet but steady.

NEW YORK COTTON: Despite a seasonal decline in domestic consumption, Department of Agriculture cotton experts expect domestic consumption and exports in the current crop year (ending July 31) to exceed production by about 2,000,000 bales. July position strengthened on active price-fixing operations. We continue to believe that difference between July and October contracts will eventually be widened.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Offerings were well taken. May switching was active. There was some light factory demand.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Early selling by commission houses caused little liquidation. There was some hedging against loan repossession and selling on improved weather conditions. The market needs stronger support.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 148.01; Today's close, 148.33; Change, up .32.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

| | High | Low | Prev. Close | Today's Close | Change |
|----------------------|---------|---------|-------------|---------------|---------|
| New York Cotton, May | 10.83 | 10.79 | 10.80 | 10.83 | .03 up |
| New York Rubber, May | 19.13 | 19.06 | 19.08 | 19.08 | unch. |
| Chicago Wheat, May | 111 1/2 | 110 1/2 | 111 1/2 | 111 1/2 | off 1/2 |
| Chicago Corn, May | 64 1/2 | 64 1/2 | 64 1/2 | 64 1/2 | off 1/2 |
| New York Hides, June | 13.99 | 13.75 | 13.76b | 13.92b | .16 up |

| | Close | Opening | Closing | Change |
|---------------------|----------|------------|----------|--------|
| NEW YORK COTTON | | | | |
| May | 10.80/80 | 10.79/80 | 10.83/83 | .03 up |
| July | 10.52/53 | 10.53/53 | 10.56/56 | .04 up |
| July (New contract) | 10.67 N | 10.66b | 10.71 N | .04 up |
| October | 10.21/21 | 10.22/22 | 10.24/24 | .03 up |
| December | 10.11/11 | 10.11/11 | 10.12/12 | .01 up |
| January | 10.05 N | 10.06b/07a | 10.06/06 | .01 up |
| March | 9.95/95 | 9.97/97 | 9.95/95 | .01 up |
| Spot | 10.96 N | 10.99 N | 10.99 N | .03 up |

Total sales Monday:—41,900 bales.

First notice day for cotton:—1/5/40 and last day 22/5/40.

| | May | July | September | December | January |
|-----------------|----------|----------|------------|------------|------------|
| NEW YORK RUBBER | | | | | |
| May | 19.08/08 | 19.08/08 | 19.08/11 | 19.08/11 | 19.08/11 |
| July | 18.68/68 | 18.75/75 | 18.75/75 | 18.75/75 | 18.75/75 |
| September | 18.45/45 | 18.50/49 | 18.49b/50a | 18.49b/50a | 18.49b/50a |
| December | 18.15/15 | 18.22/22 | 18.22/22 | 18.22/22 | 18.22/22 |
| January | 18.10 N | 18.16 N | 18.16 N | 18.16 N | 18.16 N |

Total sales:—1,150 tons.

| | May | July | September | December | January |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| CHICAGO WHEAT | | | | | |
| May | 111 1/2/111 1/2 | 111 1/2/110 1/2 | 111 1/2/111 1/2 | 111 1/2/111 1/2 | 111 1/2/111 1/2 |
| July | 109 1/2/109 1/2 | 109 1/2/108 1/2 | 109 1/2/109 1/2 | 109 1/2/109 1/2 | 109 1/2/109 1/2 |
| September | 109 1/2/109 1/2 | 109 1/2/108 1/2 | 109 1/2/109 1/2 | 109 1/2/109 1/2 | 109 1/2/109 1/2 |

Monday's sales:—38,309,000 bushels.

| | May | July | September | December | January |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| CHICAGO CORN | | | | | |
| May | 65/65 | 64 1/2/64 1/2 | 64 1/2/64 1/2 | 64 1/2/64 1/2 | 64 1/2/64 1/2 |
| July | 65 1/2/65 | 65 1/2/65 1/2 | 65 1/2/65 1/2 | 65 1/2/65 1/2 | 65 1/2/65 1/2 |
| September | 64 1/2/64 1/2 | 64 1/2/64 1/2 | 64 1/2/64 1/2 | 64 1/2/64 1/2 | 64 1/2/64 1/2 |

| | May | July | September | December | January |
|----------------|---------|---------|-----------|----------|---------|
| WINNIPEG WHEAT | | | | | |
| May | 91b | 91b | 91/91 | 91/91 | 91/91 |
| July | 92 1/2b | 92 1/2b | 92 1/2b | 92 1/2b | 92 1/2b |
| October | unrecd. | unrecd. | 94 1/2a | 94 1/2a | 94 1/2a |

| | June | September | December | January |
|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|---------|
| NEW YORK HIDES | | | | |
| June | 13.76b | 13.80/80 | 13.92b 95a | .16 up |
| September | 14.01/01 | 14.06/03 | 14.15/15 | .14 up |
| December | 14.26b/29a | 14.25b/33a | 14.41/41 | .15 up |
| NY-London Cross Rate | 3.53-3/8 | 3.52-1/8 | 3.52-1/8 | |

New York Official 34-3/4

STOCK EXCHANGE
STRONG

LONDON, April 24 (Reuters).—The Stock Exchange was strong though quiet. Despite the imminence of the Budget, prices in sections advanced with gold mines the most prominent on local and South African buying. Far Eastern bonds tended to improve on the slightly better international atmosphere. Wall Street was steady.

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SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER
London, Apr. 23 (Reuters).
Silver—Speculator and Indian re-selling. Very small demand. Business moderate. Market quiet. In the afternoon, the market was steady, with small buyers at the rate but sellers holding off.

Spot, 20-15/16d.
Forward, 20-7/8d.

BOMBAY SILVER
Bombay, Apr. 23 (Reuters).
Market—Quietly steady. Offtake 25 bars.

Indian Mint Silver
Ready 58-04
May 1 Settlement 58-04
June 3 Settlement 58-07

LONDON GOLD

London, Apr. 23 (Reuters).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz, 168.


NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

| QUOTATION | | | | |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|---------|--------|
| (REUTER'S SERVICE) | | APRIL 24, 1940. | | |
| STOCKS | Last Sale | APR. 23 | APR. 24 | Change |
| Adams Express | 7 1/2 | 7 1/2 | 7 1/2 | |
| Allegheny Steel Co. | 24 1/2 | 24 1/2 | 24 1/2 | |
| Allied Stores | 8 1/2 | 8 1/2 | 8 1/2 | |
| Allis Chalmers | 35 1/2 | 35 1/2 | 35 1/2 | |
| Aluminum Ltd. | 101 1/2 | 101 1/2 | 101 1/2 | |
| Amer. Can. | 115 | 115 | 115 | |
| American Cyanamid B. | 39 1/2 | 39 1/2 | 39 1/2 | |
| Amer. & Foreign Power | 1 1/2 | 1 1/2 | 1 1/2 | |
| Amer. & Foreign \$7 pf. | 25 1/2 | 25 1/2 | 25 1/2 | |
| American Gas & Elec. | 38 1/2 | 38 1/2 | 38 1/2 | |
| Amer. Locomotive | 21 | 21 | 21 | |
| Amer. Metals Co. | 21 1/2 | 21 1/2 | 21 1/2 | |
| Amer. Radiator | 8 1/2 | 8 1/2 | 8 1/2 | |
| Amer. Rolling Mill | 15 1/2 | 15 1/2 | 15 1/2 | |
| Amer. Sling and Ring Co. | 50 1/2 | 50 1/2 | 50 1/2 | |
| Amer. Sugar Refining | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | |
| Amer. Tel. & Tel. | 174 1/2 | 174 1/2 | 174 1/2 | |
| Amer. Tobacco "B" | 90 1/2 | 90 1/2 | 90 1/2 | |
| Amer. Waterworks | 10 | 10 | 10 | |
| Anacosta Copper | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 | |
| Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe. | 23 1/2 | 23 1/2 | 23 1/2 | |
| Aviation Corp. | 14 | 14 | 14 | |
| Baldwin Locomotive | 16 1/2 | 16 1/2 | 16 1/2 | |
| Baltimore & Ohio | 5 1/2 | 5 1/2 | 5 1/2 | |
| Barber Asphalt Co. | 15 1/2 | 15 1/2 | 15 1/2 | |
| Barnsdall Oil | 11 1/2 | 11 1/2 | 11 1/2 | |
| Bell Aircraft Corp. | 28 1/2 | 28 1/2 | 28 1/2 | |
| Bendix Aviation | 34 1/2 | 34 1/2 | 34 1/2 | |
| Bethlehem Steel | 84 1/2 | 84 1/2 | 84 1/2 | |
| Bliss & Co. | 19 1/2 | 19 1/2 | 19 1/2 | |
| Boeing Airplane Co. | 24 1/2 | 24 1/2 | 24 1/2 | |
| Borg-Warner | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | |
| Bridgeport Brass Corp. | 11 1/2 | 11 1/2 | 11 1/2 | |
| Briggs Mfg. | 23 1/2 | 23 1/2 | 23 1/2 | |
| Brooklyn-Mhattan Trans. | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | |
| Brooklyn-Manhattan \$8. | 100 | 100 | 100 | |
| Budd Mfg. Corp. | 5 1/2 | 5 1/2 | 5 1/2 | |
| Canadian Pacific Rwy. | 5 1/2 | 5 1/2 | 5 1/2 | |
| Case, J.I. | 68 | 68 | 68 | |
| Celanese | 35 | 35 | 35 | |
| Chesapeake & Ohio | 39 1/2 | 39 1/2 | 39 1/2 | |
| Chrysler Corp. | 38 1/2 | 38 1/2 | 38 1/2 | |
| Climax-Molybdenum Co. | 39 | 39 | 39 | |
| Colts Patent Fire-Arms | 81 | 81 | 81 | |
| Columbia Gas & Elec. | 6 1/2 | 6 1/2 | 6 1/2 | |
| Columbia 6% "A" pf. | 90 | 90 | 90 | |
| Commercial Credit Co. | 45 1/2 | 45 1/2 | 45 1/2 | |
| Com. & Southern (Ord.) | 1 1/2 | 1 1/2 | 1 1/2 | |
| Consolidated Edison | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 | |
| Consolidated Oil | 7 1/2 | 7 1/2 | 7 1/2 | |
| Continental Can | 47 | 47 | 47 | |
| Continental Oil | 23 1/2 | 23 1/2 | 23 1/2 | |
| Copperweld Steel | 24 1/2 | 24 1/2 | 24 1/2 | |
| Corn Products | 60 1/2 | 60 1/2 | 60 1/2 | |
| Curtiss Wright (C.) | 11 | 11 | 11 | |
| Curtiss Wright "A" | 29 1/2 | 29 1/2 | 29 1/2 | |
| Deere & Co. | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | |
| Distillers Corp. Seagrams | 19 1/2 | 19 1/2 | 19 1/2 | |
| Douglas Aircraft | 90 1/2 | 90 1/2 | 90 1/2 | |
| Du Pont de Nemours | 188 1/2 | 188 1/2 | 188 1/2 | |
| Eagle Picher Lead | 10 1/2 | 10 1/2 | 10 1/2 | |
| Eaton Mfg. Co. | 35 1/2 | 35 1/2 | 35 1/2 | |
| Elect. Autolite | 40 1/2 | 40 1/2 | 40 1/2 | |
| Elect. Bond & Share | 62 | 62 | 62 | |
| Elect. Bond & Share \$5 pf. | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | |
| Elect. Power & Light \$7 pf. | 33 1/2 | 33 1/2 | 33 1/2 | |
| Fisk Rubber | 14 1/2 | 14 1/2 | 14 1/2 | |
| Flintkote | 18 1/2 | 18 1/2 | 18 1/2 | |
| Gen. American Trans. | 52 1/2 | 52 1/2 | 52 1/2 | |
| Gen. Electric | 37 1/2 | 37 1/2 | 37 1/2 | |
| Gen. Motors | 54 | 54 | 54 | |
| Gen. Railway Signal | 17 1/2 | 17 1/2 | 17 1/2 | |
| Gen. Tire & Rubber | 18 1/2 | 18 1/2 | 18 1/2 | |
| Glidden Co. | 17 1/2 | 17 1/2 | 17 1/2 | |
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MACAO ELECTRIC

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the 90,000 shares, which will absorb \$135,000, plus, to pay a bonus of 50 cents per share, which will amount to \$45,000; that is to say, a total for dividend and bonus of \$180,000. Also, to pay to the Government of Macao 5 per cent. on the amount distributed as dividend, according to Art. 15 of our Concessionary Contract, which amounts to \$9,000. To transfer to the general reserve account the sum of \$150,000, and to carry forward to this year \$120,243.52.

A RECORD YEAR

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The Company's Plant and Equipment has continued to be satisfactory in every way and has been maintained in good state.

The business, so far this year, has increased somewhat compared with the corresponding period of last year, but we will not be able to operate this year under such favourable exchange and supply conditions as we did during 1939.

Turning to the financial side of the balance sheet, our overdraft has been considerably reduced and our cash position has also improved.

The report and accounts were duly adopted.

Mr. Fu Tak-lam had joined the Board at the beginning of the year, and his election was confirmed and Mr. F. J. Gellion was re-elected as a Director.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-elected auditors.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory
10 a.m., April 24.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.91 ins.
Temperature, 75 F.
Humidity, 87 per cent.
Wind Direction, E.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.
Temperature: maximum yesterday, 73 F.
Temperature: minimum last night, 67 F.
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, nil.
Total rainfall since January 1st 16.63 ins.
Against an average of, 10.04 ins.
Sunset tonight, 6.47 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 5.56 a.m.
4 p.m., April 24.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.82 ins.
Temperature, 78 F.
Humidity, 77 per cent.
Wind Direction, CALM.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 0.
Maximum temperature, 78 F.
Minimum temperature, 67 F.
Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 25 Apr to 1 May 1940.

| HIGH WATER | | LOW WATER | |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------|
| Days of Week | Date of Month | Hong Kong Standard Time | Height |
| Thur. | 25 | h. m. | ft. in. |
| | | 10 55 | 7 2 |
| | | 17 55 | 0 9 |
| Fri. | 26 | 0 53 | 4 7 |
| | | 11 30 | 7 0 |
| | | 18 46 | 1 2 |
| Sat. | 27 | 0 55 | 4 5 |
| | | 12 06 | 6 7 |
| | | 19 40 | 1 5 |
| Sun. | 28 | 03 05 | 4 3 |
| | | 12 49 | 6 3 |
| | | 20 48 | 1 8 |
| Mon. | 29 | 04 22 | 4 4 |
| | | 13 50 | 6 8 |
| | | 21 52 | 2 0 |
| Tues. | 30 | 05 39 | 4 5 |
| | | 15 24 | 5 5 |
| | | 23 50 | 2 1 |
| Wed. | 1 | 06 30 | 4 8 |
| | | 16 55 | 5 2 |
| | | 23 39 | 2 3 |

Iranian Oil Supplies

WHAT QUANTITIES TO JAPAN?

LONDON, Apr. 24 (Reuter).—Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd, asked in the House of Commons, for the amount of oil sold and delivered to Japan by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company between September, 1939 and March, 1940, what the Government holds in the Company, were whether the sales were made with the knowledge of the Government and whether price concessions were involved, replied that the Company supply quantities of Iranian oil to Japan on a purely commercial basis.

Although the Government have a majority holding in the Company, they announced that their policy is not to interfere with the commercial activity of the Company. "I regret, therefore, it is impossible to give the details asked," he said.

Mr. M.P. Price (Lab.) asked if Mr. Lloyd was aware that transactions of this kind will give a very bad impression in the United States where the actions of His Majesty's Government or this Company are watched very closely. No reply was given.

Mr. Dalton asked if Mr. Lloyd could give an assurance that this oil is not getting into Germany directly or indirectly, and Mr. Lloyd replied: "Not without notice."

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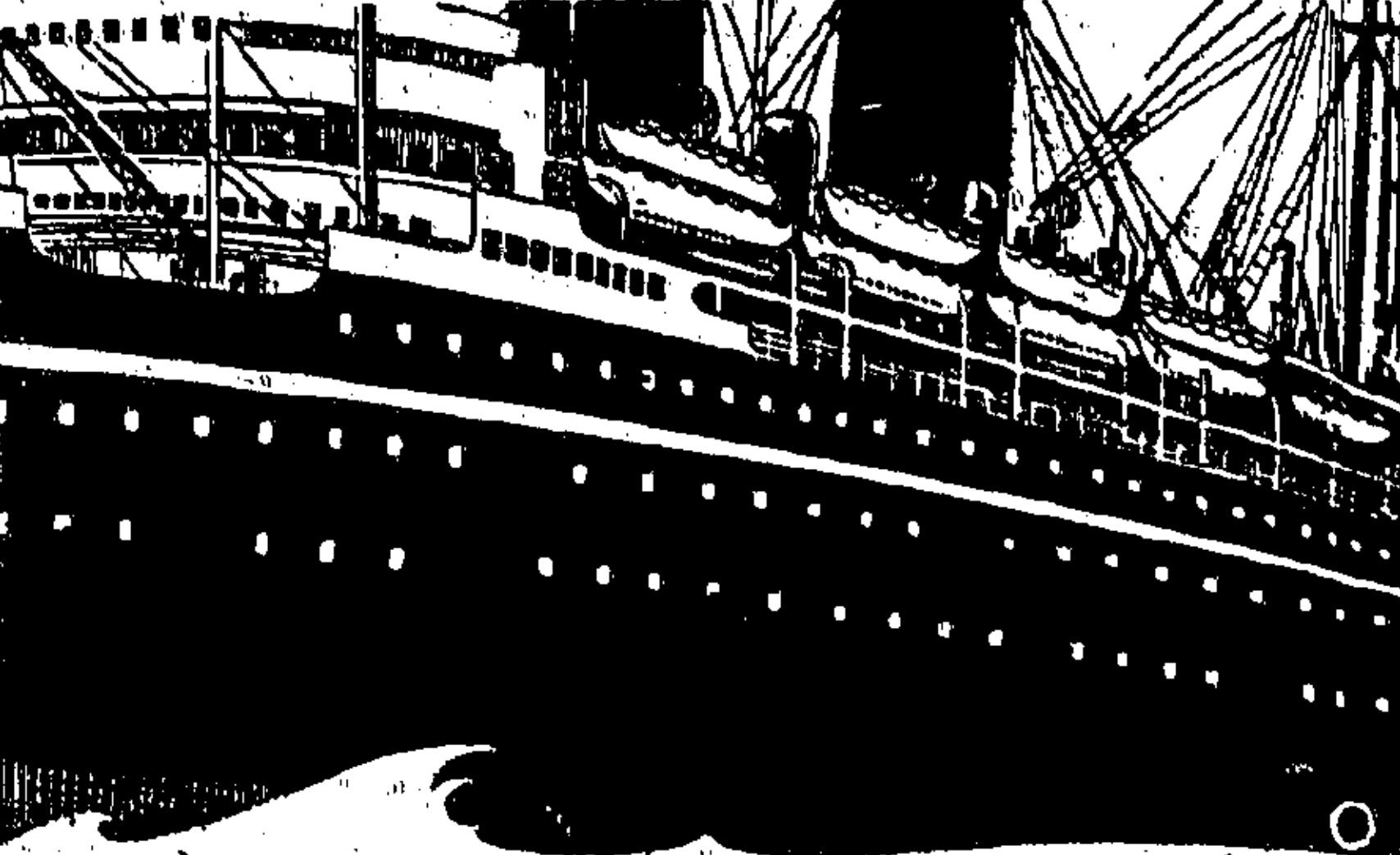
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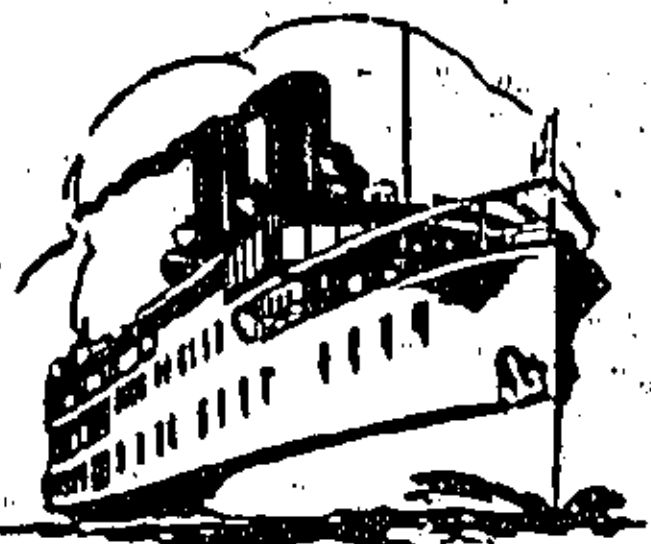
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FATAL PLUNGE

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could have been stopped from going
through it and into the sea.

BODIES FOUND

Traffic-Sergeant G. Fryer said
that the body of Mr. Nechaeff was
found lying on the floor of the car
under the steering wheel, while
that of Mr. Roberts was jammed
in the off-side door, partly through
the window.

Mr. W. H. E. Coates, Assistant
Manager of the B. A. T., said that
the company held a reception mark-
ing the opening of a new premises
of the company.

"There was no question of Mr.
Roberts being drunk at all or even
under the influence of drink," said
witness.

PERFECTLY SOBER

Mr. E. Davis, who was also at
the reception, testified that Mr.
Roberts was perfectly sober at the
time he took the wheel.

Mr. G. Stafford-Smith, former
manager and director of the
B. A. T., who was one of the pas-
sengers in the car, and had a
miraculous escape, said that follow-
ing the reception, the party was
proceeding to the Hongkong Hotel
to keep a lunch engagement. Mr.
Roberts was at the wheel, witness
was next to him, while Mr.
Nechaeff was at the extreme end
in the front seat. In the rear
were Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Davis and
Mr. Cathrew. Mr. Roberts was
perfectly sober at the time and
had plenty of room to manoeuvre
at the wheel.

NOTICED OBJECT

"When we got near Luard Road
I noticed some object started to
run across the road towards the
sea wall and, at the same time,
Mr. Roberts suddenly swerved to the
right. Returning from that swerve,
he swerved too much to the left.
Then, coming back into the
straight, he went into a very bad
skid and went off to the right
again. The last skid brought the
car straight into the water."

"The speed of the car, witness
continued, was between 25 and 30
m.p.h. When the car skidded, he
realised the gravity and watched
Mr. Roberts' face. He saw Mr.
Roberts was intent to clear the
skid.

"As the vehicle went into the
water he turned to open the rear
right door. As the vehicle went
over the edge I was thrown forward
into the windscreen and received
a slight bump in the forehead.
The car nose dived into the water.

CLIMBED OVER SEAT

"Before being submerged, and
after having been thrown forward,
I immediately recovered myself. I
turned round and climbed over the
seat into the rear of the car with
the idea of opening the right-hand
door for the back seat passengers
to escape.

"Eventually I came to the sur-
face of the water and I was pulled
on to the sampan. I then saw Mrs.
Roberts and Mrs. Davis appear and,
after that, Mr. Cathrew," said
witness.

Mr. Nechaeff was also thrown
against the windscreen and had a
big knock on the forehead.

"It was only a matter of seconds
when the car sank to the bed of
the harbour."

Mrs. E. M. Davis, who was sit-
ting in the rear of the car, said
she did not see anything running
across the road just prior to the
skid. She was quite sure that Mr.
Roberts was not travelling too fast.
"The first thing I remember was
trying to reach for the door, the
next going through an opening and,
the last, being pulled up."

EYE-WITNESS

An eye-witness of the accident,
Li Ping-yau, boatman, who was
standing outside the Nagasaki Beer
Hall, said that when the car was
in mid-air, just before plunging
into the water, he saw an arm
pushing open the right door. He
immediately called for help and
his son, Li On, jumped into the
water in an attempt to save the
passengers.

Sergt. T. McInnes, Inspector of
Vehicles, said he examined the car
on the morning of Mar. 19. It was
a Plymouth Saloon and was in
good condition. He removed all
the wheels and found that the
brakes and brake-drums were in
good order. The steering gear ap-
peared to be normal.

The two near-side door handles
were missing and the doors on that
side could only be opened from the
inside.

One of the front tyres was good
while the other was three-quarters
worn. The two rear tyres were
amorph.

UNCOMMON THING

It was quite an uncommon thing
in a car for one of the tyres to be
bigger than the remaining
three, he said, and if the car should
skid, it would be difficult to keep
the vehicle under control.

Under such conditions, he said,
the car could travel safely at a



Dr. C. T. Wang, an honorary president, is seen above speaking at the opening, by Lady Northcote, of the new headquarters of the Hongkong Red Swastika Society on Tuesday. Others in the picture are Lady Northcote, Mr. Wang Hsiao-lan, former Chairman of the Shanghai Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Shih-hao Li, Hon. Dr. W. W. Yen, former Chinese Ambassador in Wash- ington and Moscow, Mr. Tsai Chu-sam and the Rev. K. L. Reichelt.

THREE BADMINTON TITLES FOR WONG

PARTNERED BY MISS W. CHEUNG, in the Mixed Doubles, and by C. Au, in the Men's Doubles, PATRICK H. WONG, who won the Senior Singles Championship on Monday night, completed his "triple" in the Colony Badminton Championships at the Kowloon Cricket Club last night by winning both the two remaining titles he had entered for.

The Cheung-Wong combination had little difficulty in winning 15-7, 15-7 from K. L. Yong and Miss Ullian Khoo, of the University.

The Chinese Y.M.C.A. pair showed good understanding and were rarely tricked in a game that was characterised by hard smashing from both Wong and Yong.

THREE GAMES

The Men's Doubles final extended to three games, unsettled play by Au letting down the partnership badly through the first two sets. K. L. Yong and H. F. Chew, of the University, opposing the Singles champion and runner-up, Patrick Wong and C. Au, advanced to a 5-1 lead encountering little opposition. The deciding third set saw Yong and Chew climb into a 5-0 lead with Yong in great form at the net. Recovering at 5-all after some very steady play and a long rally that

brought applause from the house, the Wong-Au combination led 8-7, 9-7, and after another long rally, 10-7. Recovering service, Yong and Au managed to shorten their opponents lead to 11-9, but were then led 13-9 and lost the game at 15-9.

PRIZE WINNERS

The badminton prizes for the year were given away by Mrs. J. R. Higgs, wife of the Rev. J. R. Higgs, President of the Hongkong Badminton Association.

The prize winners were: Senior Singles, Patrick H. Wong; Runner-up, C. Au; Junior Singles, W. Gillies; Runner-up, N. L. Smith; Mixed Doubles, Patrick H. Wong and Miss W. Cheung; Runners-up, K. L. Yong and Miss Ullian Khoo; Open Doubles, Patrick H. Wong and C. Au; Runners-up, K. L. Yong and H. F. Chew.

Over 1,000 Delegates To Attend People's Congress At Chungking

BARRING LAST-MINUTE CHANGES, THE PEOPLE'S CONGRESS TO BE CONVENED ON NOVEMBER 12 to adopt a permanent constitution for the nation will have 1681 delegates. They are to be chosen by five different methods.

The first 685 delegates are to be elected on a regional basis, 380 others are to be sent by the different professions and trades, 155 others by special methods, 240 to be appointed by the National Government, totalling 1440.

Then in addition, all the members and reserve members of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee and Central Supervisory Committee are ex-officio delegates. The latest Kuomintang directory lists 241 of them. Thus the combined number will be 1681, which will place it among the largest representative bodies in the world.

TWO-THIRD MAJORITY

According to the regulations governing organization of the People's Congress revised by the Legislative Yuan on April 31, 1937, its competency is "to adopt a permanent constitution and determine the date of its enforcement." The constitution shall be passed by more than two-thirds of the delegates present at a meeting having a quorum of more than two-thirds of the entire congress. For ordinary sessions, only a majority quorum is necessary and resolutions may be carried by majority votes.

At the convocation of the People's Congress, all the delegates are required to take an oath, pledging their acceptance of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's bequeathed teachings and their promise to discharge their duty according to law and to abide by the order and discipline

speed up to 25 m.p.h. If it would not stop suddenly. Above that speed it would be quite safe, provided nothing would come in the way to cause a skid.

The jury returned a verdict of accidental death by drowning.

The Coroner joined with the jury in their expression of sympathy to the relatives of the deceased.

RECOMMENDATION

The jury recommended that the ready assistance of the two boatmen, Li On and Leung Lo, be brought to the notice of the authorities.

Imposed by the People's Congress itself.

LONG SESSION

The congress is to last from ten to twenty days. When necessary, however, the period may be prolonged. The task of the congress is considered at an end when the meeting adjourns. Delegates are not to be held responsible outside of the congress for opinions they may express and votes may cast during the session of the congress. According to regulations governing the election of delegates to the People's Congress, any Chinese citizen having attained the age of 25 years shall in accordance with law, have the right to be elected a delegate. The election is by universal, equal, and direct suffrage and by secret ballots.

Each district, municipality or area of an equivalent status, according to stipulations in the second chapter of the draft permanent constitution, shall elect one delegate but in case its population exceeds 300,000, one additional delegate shall be elected for every additional 500,000 people. The candidates are to be nominated by the village and town chiefs in each district.

PROFESSIONAL GROUPS

Delegates of the different professions and trades shall be elected by members of these organizations, each of which is to nominate three times as many delegates as it is entitled to send to the congress. Such professional and trade groups as qualified to elect their own delegates are limited to those which were founded before April 31, 1937.

The 155 delegates to be elected by special methods, mostly by official designation, are distributed as follows: 14 from Liaoning, 13 from Kirin, 9 from Heilungkiang and from Jehol, 24 from Mongolia, 16 from Tibet, 40 from overseas Chinese communities and 30 from the nation's land, naval and aerial forces and institutions of military education.

The latest ruling is that the election must be completed before the end of this June.

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| Japan and Shanghai | 30th Apr. |
| Canton | 30th Apr. |
| Japan | 30th Apr. |
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| Japan | 28th Apr. |
| Haiphong, Hoikow & Fort Bayard | 28th Apr. |
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| Haiphong | 29th Apr. |
| Shanghai | 29th Apr. |
| Shanghai | 29th Apr. |
| Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 23rd April | 30th Apr. |
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| Japan | 30th Apr. |
| Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London date 24th April | 1st May |
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| Shanghai | 3rd May |
| Sandakan | 3rd May |
| Shanghai and Amoy | 5th May |
| Java and Manila | 7th May |
| Straits and Manila | 7th May |
| Japan | 7th May |
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| Straits and Calcutta | 5.00 PM |
| Shanghai | 7.00 PM |
| FRIDAY | Fri. 26th |
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| Tourane, Saigon and Bangkok | 1.00 PM |
| Sandakan | 7.00 PM |
| SATURDAY | Sat. 27th |
| Fort Bayard, Hoikow & Haiphong | Noon |
| Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 5th May | G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mombasa, Belra, Lourenco-Marques, East and South Africa | 6.30 PM |
| SUNDAY | Sun. 28th |
| Canton | 7.15 AM |
| Amoy and Shanghai | 8.00 AM |
| MONDAY | Mon. 29th |
| Haiphong | Noon |
| K.P.O. | Parcels 3.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM |
| G.P.O. | Parcels 3.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Suez and London Parcels—due London, 10th June | 7.00 PM |
| Canton | 7.00 PM |
| TUESDAY | Tues. 30th |
| Batavia and Sourabaya | 8.30 AM |
| Haiphong | 2.00 PM |
| K.P.O. | Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM |
| G.P.O. | Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM |
| Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 8th May | K.P.O. Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM |
| G.P.O. | Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM |
| Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 6th May | G.P.O. Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM |
| K.P.O. | Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM |
| G.P.O. | Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM |

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